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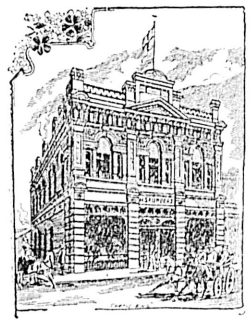

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Australian Storm.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Feb. 15.—A severe storm is raging along the coast of New South Wales. There have been several wrecks and fatalities.

A Barrister's Scrape.

BRIGHTON, Feb. 14.—(Special)—C. R. Irvine, barrister, was to-day convicted before Magistrate Gunnis for using postage stamps a second time, and fined $10, or in default three months in jail.

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On and after this date all New Advertisements will be found on Page 2, and all small advertisements such as wanted, etc., will be found under their proper classification on same page.

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CHINESE IN TEXADA.

Manager of the Van Anda Fined for Employing Them Underground.

NANAIMO, Feb. 15.—(Special)—Elisha Read, manager of the Van Anda metalliferous mine on Texada island, charged with employing Chinese underground in the mine in contravention of the mines inspection act, pleaded guilty today before Messrs. Bate and Hilbert, justices of the peace, and was fined including costs $49 90.

Robt. Kilpatrick, Sr., aged 89 years, died at Wellington to-day.

ALD. HUMPHREY's name was inadvertently omitted yesterday morning in the list of guests who dined with Mayor Redfern last night.

THE annual municipal reports of the city of Victoria are now ready for distribution and may be obtained at the city clerk's office or at the library.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST leads.

THE RAILWAY BARGAIN

Contractor Mackenzie Confident It Will Be Carried Out—Rumored Million Loan.

Ottawa Government Planning for Overland Connection Through All Canadian Territory.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special)—It was reported here that Mackenzie and Mann had borrowed a million dollars from the Sun Life here to construct the Yukon railway. Mr. Mackenzie was here today on his way to England. He says the contract with the government is bound to be carried out. He denies that his firm is negotiating with the Sun Life.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—The Globe's Ottawa correspondent discusses the seriousness of the legislation now shaping at Washington, the object and effect of which will be to block the proposed Stikine river railway by making it impossible or difficult for the transshipment of passengers and freight from ocean and river steamers at the mouth of the river, which lies in United States territory, the free navigation rights possessed by the British people not obviating the right of the United States to impose conditions in such a case.

The Globe's correspondent says plans may be radically altered, and it may be necessary to build from Port Simpson or Observatory Inlet, which would make the route free of all connection with the United States. This, however, would entail an additional railway of 180 miles, the distance from Observatory Inlet to Glenora, where the Teslin Lake railway starts. This could not be done until September, 1899.

"In the meantime," asks the correspondent, suggestively, "what is to be done with Klondike? If the Americans boycott us at Wrangel, and prevent us from going in that way, shall we nevertheless permit them to swarm in by their routes and help themselves to what is there, or can we place some restriction upon their entering until we ourselves are ready to take a hand?" This pertinent question is doubtless receiving the attention of the government.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—(Special)—The Mail's Ottawa correspondent says: "The announcement that the minister of railways' agreements with the C.P.R. for running rates over the Intercolonial railway from St. John to Halifax would not be renewed next year has earned for Mr. Blair the antagonism of the Canadian Pacific Railway. In the cabinet the failure of the Drummond County bill has lost him the powerful influence of the G. T. R., and his well known disfavor for the Yukon railway policy this session has stirred up against him a powerful combination which may eventually culminate in his being forced to tender his resignation to the Premier. Should the thing be pushed to this pass, the government will find that Andrew G. Blair is not a man who will meekly take such treatment. The minister of railway's withdrawal from the government, if it does take place, will be followed by sensational developments.

CUBAN PEACE PROPOSITION.

Better Terms Offered by the Colonial Government to the Insurgents.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Autonomy is a failure. This is the meat of a voluminous report which Consul-General Lee is said to have forwarded from Havana to the state department. And, as if to prepare the people for action by this government, Senator Joseph B. Foraker, of Ohio, was granted an interview, of which the most pregnant sentence was: "The whole chapter, as it is now being written on the island of Cuba, is one of horror, shocking to civilization, and of such a nature that intervention should, be resorted to, if necessary, to put an end to it."

HAVANA, Feb. 14.—The following propositions have been formally tendered to the insurgents by the colonial government:

"First, the volunteers will be dissolved and a Cuban militia formed.

"Second, the insurgent colonels and generals will be recognized.

"Third, Cuba will be called on to pay only $100,000,000 out of the $600,000,000 indebtedness due for both wars.

"Fourth, Cuba will pay $2,000,000 a year for the crown list.

"Fifth, Cuba will make her own treaties without interference by the Madrid government.

"Sixth, Spanish products will have only a ten per cent. margin of protection over similar products from other countries.

"Seventh, no exiles or deportations will be made, even in war time to Spain, Africa or penal settlements elsewhere.

"Eighth, death sentences for rebellion shall be abolished.

"Ninth, martial law cannot be ordered by the captain-general without the assent of both the houses and the senate if these bodies are in session, or without a majority of the cabinet if they are not in session.

"Tenth, the archbishop of Santiago de Cuba shall always be a native Cuban.

"Eleventh, the actual insurgent party shall have three seats in the first cabinet.

"Twelfth, an armistice of 15 days shall be granted for the discussion of the terms of peace."

These terms are accepted by the autonomist party in full with the exceptions of Senors Galvez, Montero, Zayas and Delonte.

Fruit Grower Poisoned.

OAKVILLE, Feb. 15.—(Special)—Adam Robinson, jr., a well-known fruit grower, is dead from the effects of blood poisoning.

CANADA'S LATEST PEER.

The High Commissioner Formally Introduced in the House of Lords.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15—(Special)—A Star cable from London says: Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal took the oath and his seat in the House of Lords this afternoon. He was introduced by Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Secretary of State for Scotland, and Lord Bagot, who was aide-de-camp to the Marquis of Lorne, when he was Governor-General of Canada, and nephew of Lord Bagot, formerly Governor of Canada.

Most newly fledged peers make visits preparatory to the ordeal, but Lord Strathcona entered the House of Lords for the first time in his life when he took the formal oath and was introduced to the Lord Chancellor.

NAVAL COAL SCANDAL.

Russian Officers Accused of Conspiring to Defraud the Government.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—A despatch to the Daily News from Odessa says that a secret police enquiry, undertaken at the instigation of the minister of marine, has revealed a highly sensational scandal in connection with the Black sea fleet. The Russian admiralty paid for 60,000 tons of coal which was never delivered. Accused with the contractor, who is a Jew, are several naval officers at Sebastopol, one of them being the senior admiral.

A BANKING DEAL.

Senator Cox Reported to Have Patented Klondike for His Institution.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special)—It is stated here that Hon. George A. Cox has been able to strike a good bargain with the government, and one that will bring a good round sum into the coffers of the Bank of Commerce. It is said that the government has made a deal with the Bank of Commerce in some way regarding the handling of the gold output of the Yukon.

MR. MULOCK'S COMPANY.

Gross Mismanagement and Fraud Have Proceeded Unchecked for Years.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—(Special)—At a meeting of the Farmers' Loan Company shareholders this afternoon J. W. Langmuir, president of the Toronto General Trust Company, which is liquidator of the concern, charged the officials of the company, three of the principal of whom have absconded, with the grossest mismanagement and fraud, and the auditors with the gravest incapacity. The mismanagement and fraud had proceeded unchecked for years. The assets, he said, consisted chiefly of worthless securities and valueless lands.

COWICHAN COUNCIL.

Budget of Important Business Disposed of at Last Session.

SOMENOS, B.C., Feb. 10.—The municipal council held their second meeting on Saturday, the 5th inst. A memorial from a public meeting held in Chemainus on the previous evening was read, protesting against the expenditure of municipal funds on opening up a road to the Mount Sicker mines. The council then took into consideration a letter from Messrs. Crease & Crease, giving the grounds for the judge's decision in the appeal case. "The Corporation vs. H. O. Wellburn;" and a resolution was passed which, while admitting the verdict as final and a correct interpretation of the law, declared that the municipality had a serious grievance, which it is incumbent on the council to endeavor to have removed. The road inspector, Mr. D. Evans, was reappointed at his former salary. A number of bills and the treasurer's statement of account were referred by the reeve to the finance committee, whose report was afterwards received and adopted. The road inspector presented a report on the survey, by himself and Mr. Hugh Bell, of a line of road to Mt. Sicker, with an estimate of the cost; a resolution was passed postponing further action until fuller particulars were obtained. Councillor W. Herd gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the council introduce a by-law to redefine the boundaries of the municipality. The clerk was instructed to prepare the new assessment roll, and the road inspector to survey the roads and make an estimate of the cost of putting them in repair.

At the meeting of the local board of health, held on the same day, the health officer was directed to examine closely into the drainage and sanitary condition generally of the Chinese wash-houses. It was also decided to continue the employment of the scavenger, as the inhabitants of Duncan were practically unanimous in their desire to retain his services. The council meets again on the 18th inst.

C. P. R. BUYS SMELTER.

Deal With Mr. Heinze Completed and Now Ores Will Be Treated at Cost.

Low Grade Properties at Rossland Expected to Thrive in Consequence.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special)—At the close of the C.P.R. directors' meeting yesterday Vice President Shaughnessy announced that the deal with Mr. Heinze for transfer of his railroad and smelting interests in the Kootenay district to the C.P.R. had been completed. The C.P.R., he said, was not going into the smelting business to make money out of it. The company realized that in order to make the mining of lower grade ores abounding in Kootenay district profitable it would be necessary to give miners much cheaper means of getting out ore. It would therefore provide facilities for miners at what they cost.

The Star says: It is understood that the C.P.R. will make a smelting rate of $7.00 and freight rate of 50 cents, or $7.50 in all, for the treatment at Trail of Rossland ore.

ATLANTIC MAIL SERVICE.

The Petersons Still Insist That They Can Carry Out Their Contract.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—The Messrs. Peterson still stoutly deny the suggestion that they may not be able to carry out the fast mail contral. They say they have fulfilled all the government's preliminary conditions and have every detail of the specifications to proceed at a moment's notice with the ships so as to have two ready by contract time. June 1, 1899, and two others by June 1, 1900. If this be so, people are asking why, if all be ready, building has not commenced. The ships are to be turret shape as originally proposed.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

A School Agitator Won Over—The Disputed Accounts End of the Curling

WINNIPEG, Feb. 15.—(Special)—The Winnipeg curling bonspiel closed to-day. The New York Life Guard challenge event was won by R. H. Dunbar of the Winnipeg Thistles, with McDiarmodt of the Granites, Winnipeg, second. Dunbar also won the Royal Caledonian tankard, with Smith of Regina second. The Dolge international trophy was won by Peele of the Winnipeg Thistles, with Grassie, of Portage la Prairie, second. Dunbar played 22 games during the week and won 21.

An Ottawa despatch published here says that Nicholas Bawlf, a prominent Liberal and leader in the Manitoba school question agitation, may be offered the vacant senatorship in Manitoba.

Treasurer McMillan has again left for Ottawa in connection with Manitoba's claim for a settlement of the disputed accounts.

J. Harris, of Silver Creek, was struck by a falling tree and killed.

SHOOTING IN KOOTENAY.

A Cold-Blooded Crime the Perpetrator of Which Is Still at Large.

NELSON, Feb. 15.—(Special)—The steamer Nelson on Monday brought the body of a man named Connors, who had been foully murdered at Kuskonook, formerly Armstrong's Landing, at the head of Kootenay lake, by J. Doyle, alias Sullivan, on Sunday. Connors, who was in the contractor's employ, was sitting in the bar room of Ericson's hotel on Sunday evening at 11:30, when Doyle, a laborer, entered, and going up to Connors said: "Dig up or I'll shoot." Connors replied "Fire away." Doyle fired and Connors died without a groan. The murderer fled. Policeman Forbes arrived within a few minutes, and search was made, but the murderer is still at large. An inquest opened here to-day, and was adjourned until to-morrow noon. Forbes accompanied the body here, and brought Kyle and Ericson, who were in the bar-room, and Thomas Smith as witnesses.

Klondike Mission.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—(Special)—Dr. Warden, treasurer of the Presbyterian church, has received $800 additional in subscriptions towards the special Klondike mission fund of $10,000 recently started.

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NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Terms of Two Other Offers to Give Communication With Klondike.

Bank of Commerce to Open at Dawson and Handle Government Business.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—The papers relating to the Yukon railway offers were submitted to parliament to-day.

The Kersey syndicate wanted $1,000 a mile for a wagon road from the Stikine to the Yukon, and $6,000 a mile for a railway, and blocks of land of 1,500 acres at Fort Selkirk and other points for stores, etc. The offer was withdrawn January 23, as the syndicate would not accept a land grant alone nor build the line by September 1.

J. Wesley Allison, of Montreal, offered for a British syndicate to build a railroad from Dyea or Skagway to Dawson. The subsidy asked was alternate sections of land 24 miles square for each ten miles of railway.

Arrangements have been made with the government to establish a Branch of the Bank of Commerce in Yukon for the handling of bullion and transaction of ederal government business. Mr. Wells, manager of the Orangeville branch of the Bank of Commerce, will represent the bank at Dawson. He is a brother of Dr. Wells, until recently physician to the mounted police in Yukon.

Vice-President Shaughnessy says that the two big vessels bought by C.P.R., the Tartar and Athenian, which have left Southampton and will reach Victoria by the end of March, will ply solely to the mouth of the Stikine.

Congressman Lewis has not yet received an answer about the issue of miners' licenses at Tagish. British Columbia members are actively opposing the request.

The debate on the Yukon railway bill commenced in the Commons to-day, Mr. Blair moving the second reading. Sir Charles Tupper strongly opposed the conditions granted to the contractors and severely condemned the government for their delay in dealing with Yukon matters. He said the government had wholly failed to show that they were justified in awarding the contract without tenders. Mr. Sifton spoke in reply and will continue the debate to-morrow.

THE ROTHSCHILDS' RAILWAY.

Proposed Incorporations of This Scheme to Utilize the Dalton Route.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—Col. Tisdale has charge of the bill of the Rothschilds' syndicate, which seeks to build a railway to the Yukon river by way of the Dalton trail. The company is to be known as the Pacific and Yukon Railway, Navigation and Mining Co. The proposed incorporators are Baron Farquhar, Hamilton Smith, H. Rosenthal, J. H. Lukash, Lionel Phillips, H. C. Gibbs and John Ed. Rider, all of London, England.

YUKON DREDGING LEASES.

A Number Just Issued Brings the Total Up to Three Hundred and Fifty Miles.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—The interior department to-day granted a number of leases for sub-aqueous mining on the Yukon river and tributaries. Altogether 350 miles of river bed has been leased, each of the successful applicants having to pay a rental of $100 per mile for each mile they can dredge. Mr. Connor, of St. John, gets 85 miles on the Pelly, McMillan and Henderson rivers; Percy Gilmour, of Toronto, gets 20 miles; M. C. Connolly, 50 miles; a Mr. McPherson, 60 miles; and a Mr. Edwards, 30 miles. All available leases were applied for many times over, but few applicants were able to put up the money in advance.

A. O. U. W. IN KLONDIKE.

Effort to Prevent the Fraternal Insurance Holding Good There.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—(Special)—The annual convention of the Grand lodge of the Ontario A. O. U. W. opens on Wednesday, when about 400 members are expected to be present. The most important business likely to come up is the Klondike issue. Restriction will, if possible, be placed on members going to that region and no members will be allowed to go if the anti-Klondike party has its way.

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THE PAKSHAN ARRIVES.

The W. and A. S. S. Co's New Acquisition Makes a Fast Passage from the Orient.

The steamship Pakshan, Capt. Allen Jones, arrived at William Head at 9 o'clock last night after a smart run from Hongkong. This steamer has been chartered, as already announced in the COLONIST, by the Washington & Alaska Steamship Co. for their Alaska line and has been secured by them principally with a view to relieving the congestion now so much felt by the Victoria merchants. This steamer will be a decided acquisition to the present fleet which is quite unable to cope with the rush northwards, as she has roomy accommodations for a large number of passengers and stock and capacious holds for cargo. When Mr. Dodwell, the senior partner of Dodwell Curlill & Co., general agents for the W. & A. S.S. Co., was on this coast last autumn he personally inspected the accommodation of all the steamers then running north and with the pointers he got of the requirements of the trade, and his very extensive experience in this line of work, he was able to give very full directions to the dock company at Hongkong as to how the Pakshan should be fitted up. She will have accommodation for several hundred second class passengers, and it is safe to say that her appointments will equal in every respect those of the very best steamer now trading north.

The Pakshan has to undergo Dr. Watt's inspection, and will arrive alongside the outer wharf at 7 a.m. to-day. Arrangements have been perfected, and men and materials secured for the erection of stalls for stock, and as soon as this work is completed the loading will be commenced and the steamer will sail for Vancouver and northern ports. The steamer will lie at the wharf all day to-morrow and probably next day too, and will no doubt be visited by a large number of Victorians. When the Pakshan leaves she will carry perhaps the most completely outfitted party that has yet reached Victoria, viz., the Gypsey Queen Mining Company, headed by Percy D. Whithead, of Chicago. They will take up on the Pakshan materials for a dredging steamer and one year's supplies for twenty-one people, the members of the party.

CHILLIWACK.

An Interesting Ghost Story—Three Matrimonial Events—The River Survey.

CHILLIWACK, Feb. 14.—Another of the social dances so common to the good people of this valley took place at the residence of Mrs. C. Davis, of Gravelly slough. A crowd of young folks from the village went, and came home well pleased.

A supernatural visitor is credited with having been here several times at the house of Mr. John Kenevan, who resides on his ranch about a mile from the village. About two weeks ago Mr. Kenevan says he heard peculiar noises about and around the house, and proceeded to investigate, but could find nothing. Thinking it was caused by some of the mischief loving youths, who are fond of playing practical jokes, he paid no further attention to the matter, but as the disturbances kept on, he called in some of the neighbors, who also heard sounds, but could discover no reasons. They of course came to the conclusion that something supernatural was about. Travellers, it is said, fight shy of that road after dark.

Weddings have excited the neighborhood this last week. The first one, Mrs. Ward, who has resided here off and on for the last six years, last week had the nuptial knot tied in New Westminster, and will in future reside at "The Echoes" on Hanson river. Two other weddings took place here last Wednesday in St. Thomas' church. The contracting parties were Mr. Ashworth, of Vancouver, and Miss Sarah Peers, daughter of Mr. Joseph Peers of this place; also Mr. Richard Sommers, of Chilliwack, and Mrs. J. W. Miller, former proprietor of the Chilliwack Bakery. Mr. and Mrs. Ashworth left Thursday morning by Stmr. Gladys for their future home in Vancouver. While Mr. and Mrs. Sommers will make their home on the ranch.

The survey party who were laid off until a new instrument was procured, have started to work again.

The government supporters are about to organize here, and it is anticipated that a strong party will be formed.

Very heavy rains prevail at present.

Attractive Women.

Why is one woman attractive and another not? The most admirable and attractive thing about an attractive woman is her womanliness. Everybody admires a womanly woman, she must have health, of course, because without it she would lose the brightness of her eyes, the fullness of her cheeks and her vivacity. Real health must mean that a woman is really well as in every other. That she is capable of performing the duties of maternity. Some are born with what is called "constitutional weakness." Those who do not enjoy perfect health, need only take the proper precautions and the proper remedy to become perfectly well and strong. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will cure any derangement of the distinctly feminine organism.

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Tornado Tom—So Ike's gone to visit his father, has he? That must have been his uncle then that we lynched year afore last fer horse-stealing.

Sheriff of Tombstone—Oh, no; that was his father. That's the feller he's gone ter visit.—Judge.

Bronchitis Cured.

MESSRS. T. MILBURN & Co., Toronto, Ont.

DEAR SIRS,—I have used Hagyard's Yellow Oil for my children when they had bronchitis, and always with great success. I use it also for sore throat, and can say there is nothing to equal it as a sure cure.

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Huntsville, Ont.

LOST ON THE OCEAN.

A Boat's Crew of the Schooner "Mary Taylor" Have a Terrible Experience.

Messrs. F. C. Davidge & Co. Still Enlarging Their Northern Fleet —Waterfront Happenings.

To be lost at sea for four days and five nights with only a pittance of water and a morsel of food, to be tossed about on the turbulent ocean like a cork and then to be cast up on shore in a surf in which no boat could live, is an experience undergone by three of the crew of the sealing schooner Mary Taylor, now cruising off the southern coast of California. The men—a boat-puller, steerer and hunter—left their schooner on the 25th of last month some forty miles out at sea. Like other crews from the same schooner they were in quest of seals, and all was well until a start for the Mary Taylor was about to be made. Then they discovered their compass was broken. The schooner was not in sight, the sea was rising and the men, though strong-hearted, realized for the first time their perilous position. They had a few scraps of lunch left and a little fresh water to subsist on they knew not how long. Of course seal meat to a starving man is a delicacy, and what was to be most dreaded was a want of fresh water and the weather turning stormy. How wearily the hours passed and what suffering the men endured mentally and physically can best be imagined by the mariner who has had some taste of such an experience. The boat was driven hither and thither for four days and five nights until finally caught in a current and wind setting in towards land it was carried ashore. As it neared land a fierce surf threatened the lives of the three men. In some way, however, the latter managed to make a safe landing but the boat was smashed to atoms. This happened about 70 miles north of San Francisco, and about 40 miles this side of Drake bay. Here a Swedish family reside, whose warm hospitality the completely exhausted shipwrecked strangers will never forget. Two of the sailors are still there, while the third made his way down to San Francisco and told his story to the San Francisco papers. These journals published it, and in this way the news of the crew's safety came to the attention of Captain Andrew Nelson, of the Mary Taylor. He had been looking for the missing boat for over a week, and putting in to Drake's bay one day for water secured a newspaper containing the story. He was in port for a couple of days and was obliged to obtain four new hands to replace a similar number who had deserted. The above incidents of his cruise have been related in a letter to Mr. Andrew Bechtel, the proprietor of the California hotel, received a few days ago. The letter does not give as late news concerning the seal catches as is contained in a despatch from San Francisco, and the latter is therefore given as follows:

The schooner Orient, which reached port to-day from Willapa bay, brings word of the schooners Antelope, Geneva and Alger, all bound for this port. She spoke them on February 9. The Geneva and Alger are both sealers, and are coming in with the result of their season's work. The Geneva reported that she had 300 sealskins in her hold. The Alger's catch is reported at 175 skins.

COLLIDES IN SEATTLE.

The steam schooner Hueneme, of Seattle, en route north with a full load of general freight and as many passengers as could be accommodated, called at the outer wharf yesterday morning to receive as pilot Captain Foster, of this city. Just before leaving Seattle the steamer collided with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Riojun Maru, which was in port loading for Japan. The Post-Intelligencer says the Hueneme struck the big Japanese steamer bow on abreast of the third hatchway. There was a crash of steel plates, and a rush on the part of those aboard both vessels to get to places of safety. Several of the Riojun Maru's steel plates were broken and bent, and water began to leak in on the cargo of flour with which that portion of the ship is loaded. The full extent of the damages to the steamer cannot yet be ascertained, but those in charge of the vessel say that when the entire damages have been footed up the accident will cost nearly $10,000. The accident is said to be due to one of the signal bells on the Hueneme not working properly.

MORE ENGAGEMENTS.

The steamer Joan, which has been temporarily withdrawn from the Nanaimo-Vancouver route, was to leave the Terminal City yesterday evening in fulfilment of a contract which Messrs. F. C. Davidge & Co. have with Messrs. Mann & McKenzie for the transportation of men and supplies to Wrangel. There were one hundred men to embark, and of the supplies the steamer is to carry a full load. As previously stated, the steamer is only to make the one trip and her service between island and mainland is not to be neglected, for in her stead the steamers Chieftain and Mystery are to run. Both steamers were making ready for the service yesterday and have been engaged for eight days, the time the Joan is expected to be away on her northern trip. They are smart boats and the travelling public will be put to no inconvenience by the temporary withdrawal of the Joan from her regular run. Messrs. Davidge & Co. are gradually augmenting their northern fleet and in addition to the Ningchow, the big 3,300 ocean racket, which they chartered a few days ago, it is said that they have arranged to run the barge Transfer No. 1 that is now nearing completion in a Vancouver shipyard. This barge will be capable of carrying 1,100 tons of freight and 300 head of cattle. The tug Czar it is understood will be engaged to tow her and she will make her first trip as soon as she can be got ready. The barque was originally designed to carry coke between the island and Vancouver.

MARINE NOTES.

Out of respect to the late Mrs. Mollistad, who was daughter of the late Captain Carver, Tacoma, and wife of Captain Mollistad, of the American ship Newsboy now loading lumber at Chemainus, flags were hung at half mast on lumber carriers in both ports on Sunday that being the day of the funeral.

The Puget Sound Tugboat Co. have added to their fleet the tugs Traveller, Painter and Hunter. The first mentioned is 72 tons and the latter has 55 tons each.

Captain Clarence Cox left for Nanaimo yesterday to fill his recent appointment of pilot on the steamer National City.

Among the latest craft reported in the northern business is the wrecking steamer Whitelaw, of San Francisco.

The British ship Benicia has been chartered to load wheat at Tacoma for the United Kingdom.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer	from	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston.	"	Port Townsend.
" Hueneme	"	Seattle.
" Fingal	"	Vancouver.
" Vancouver	"	Comox.
" Islander	"	Union.
Sloop Jemma	"	Plumpers Pass.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer	for	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston.	"	Port Townsend.
" Hueneme	"	Roche Harbor.
" Fingal	"	Fraser.
" Vancouver	"	Coastwise.
Sloop Jemma	"	Plumpers Pass.

An Ex-Alderman Speaks.

Mr. Jas. Hagan, the well-Known ex-alderman of Kemptville, Ont., says: For some years I have been greatly troubled with pains across my back. Urinary troubles caused me much loss of sleep, and I suffered from a tired, worn out feeling. DOANS KIDNEY PILLS gave me relief in a short time. The pain in my back had disappeared, and I thought I would be doing wrong not to recommend them to others suffering as I did. They are the best medicine I ever used."

Eugene Field once told Mrs. Humphrey Ward that he slept in the hollow of a tree in Missouri, and lived on wild fish and fruits when Barnum took charge of him and educated him. Mrs. Ward afterward told some friends that Field was a typical American.

Caps or Crowns.

Whether the head wears a cap or a crown headaches will come. BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS cures all forms of headache. It is a curative for rich or poor.

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"The modern drama," said the Cornfed Philosopher, "is like a mustard plaster. The hotter it is the better it draws."—Indianapolis Journal.

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NOTICE.

THE DAILY COLONIST is for sale at the news stands and on the streets of Vancouver on the arrival of the steamer from Victoria and at the following additional places on the provincial mainland.

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NOTICE

In the Matter of the Goods of Dora Son, Otherwise known as Maud Lord, Deceased, and in the Matter of the Official Administrator's Act.

Notice is hereby given that under an order dated the 9th day of February, 1898, made by Mr. Justice Drake, I the undersigned was directed to take possession of the estate of the above deceased, pending the application for administration of some person lawfully entitled so to do.

WM. MONTEITH,
Official Administrator.

To Candy Dealers Manufacturers and Others.

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SPECULATORS and investors having idle capital of $100 and upwards should write to me at once. I have something of unusual importance to communicate. Charles Hughes, 63 Wall street, New York.

Advertisements under the heads of Lost, Found For Sale or To Let and Situations Wanted will be inserted at the rate of one cent a word each insertion. Payment always in advance. No advertisement received for less than twenty five cents.

WANTS.

WANTED—Three unfurnished rooms suitable for housekeeping. P.W., this office. f16

WANTED—By gentlewoman, position as housekeeper or companion to lady (invalid or otherwise); reference exchanged G., Colonist f16

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WANTED—10,000 oak staves, (Island oak). Apply 28 Belcher street. fe12

WANTED—A capable nurse for 8 months old baby. Apply to Mrs. Law, 1163 Georgia street, Vancouver, B.C. fe12

WANTED—Pantry girl. Hotel Victoria. fe10

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WANTED—A good general servant to go to Alberni. Apply between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at 29 Pioneer St. fe10

WANTED—To rent for two weeks, No 6 Remington typewriter: must be in good order. Address F. C. Davidge & Co. j30

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TEACHER wanted for Hope Public School. Married man who has had experience and who holds not less than a second class grade A certificate preferred; commence work 1st March inst. Salary $55 per month. R. Ryder, Secretary School Board, Hope, B. C., February 8th, 1898. fe11

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MISCELLANEOUS.

CLAIRVOYANT and psychometric medium. Mrs. Dr. C. C. Chambers, parlor, Brunswick Hotel. fe2

THE butcher business of R. Matheson & Co., has this day been sold to Maling Bros. 7th of February, 1898. f16

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A PARTY wishes to engage practical miner, who has been in Alaska; give particulars to bd. Brunini, Victoria. f15

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NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of the license held by me to sell wines and liquors by retail, at the premises known as the Caledonia hotel, situate at the corner of Store and Cormorant streets, in the City of Victoria, to John H. Gaerdes.

ROBERT CHADWICK.
Dated this 3rd day of February, 1898. f4

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NOTICE.

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LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897. je5

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Notice to Taxpayers.

Electoral Districts of Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt, and the Land Districts, of Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino Coast, Queen Charlotte Islands, North Saanich, and parts of Barclay and Clayoquot.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act," are now due for the year 1898 Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz—

If paid on or before June, 1898:—

Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.
Two and one-half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.
One-half of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars, and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent. when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

If paid on or after the 1st July, 1898.

Four-fifths of one per cent. on real property.
Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.
Three-fourths of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-fourths of one per cent.

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Victoria, B. C., January 6th, 1898.

C. BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

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A SONG OF THE ROAD.

Rain and sun, rain and sun,
Cloud and wind in the sky,
White roads that westward run,
Banks where a man may lie,
Sleep and dream that his tramping's done
And the long, long idleness begun.

Crickets chirp by the fire,
Grasshoppers wild are we,
The white road's our desire
Where foot and tongue wag free,
And kisses grow upon every brier,
And dreams are hanging from every tree.

Cloud and wind, cloud and wind,
These be our friends instead.
Every bush keeps kind
Shade for a vagrant head.
Sweet, let the dull world lag behind.
The beckoning road runs on ahead.
—Black and White.

SHIPBOARD FEVER.

I was only 14 years of age, and a puny boy at that, when my Uncle John, who was my guardian, sent me to sea aboard of the brig May Queen of London. He wasn't concerned about my health, as I have every reason to believe, and I am also quite sure that he wouldn't have shed a tear had he heard I was lost at sea. I made the voyage from London to Valparaiso and to escape further ill usage deserted the brig and hid away for two weeks. I then found a good natured captain to take me to Rio, from which port I shipped as cabin boy on an English bark named the Duchess. She had a cargo of green coffee for Australia and New Zealand, carried a crew of 14 men, and few sea captains had a kinder heart than her skipper, whose name was Martin. The bark left Rio with a fair wind and everybody in perfect health, and her run to the east until she had sighted Inaccessible island and left it 100 miles astern was something to boast of. Then came a dead flat calm, which lasted for 11 days, with such hot weather that everybody suffered day and night. On the fifth day of the calm two men were suddenly stricken with a strange ailment. They first lost their sight, then taste and smell departed, then fever seized them and they lost their reason. They were reported sick at 8 o'clock in the morning. By 2 p. m. both were dead. At 6 o'clock a third man was taken down and lived only two hours.

No one was attacked on the sixth day, but on the seventh the captain, second mate and a common sailor all came down at once. The first complaint was dryness of the tongue. That was followed in half an hour by loss of sight and other senses, and before noon all were dead. The bodies were at once shrouded and committed to the deep, and the chief mate ordered the hatches removed to ventilate the cargo, and disinfectants were used in the most thorough manner.

On the night of the seventh day a sailor who had lain down on the deck in perfect health and soundly slumbered for three hours awoke with a parched tongue. Water had no power to quench his thirst. He drank until he must have imbibed a gallon, and as he turned from the water cask his vision left him in a flash. He did not wait to die as the others had done, but groped his way to the ship's side and dropped from the rail into the sea. He was the sixth who had died, and the living were now panic stricken. Some went aloft, some went below—all avoided each other. The only exceptions were the mate and myself. He talked with me very fully about the situation, seeming glad to have me near him, and after the last death he wrote a letter to his wife in England and charged me to see that it reached her in case he should die and I be spared.

We had now lost nearly half our crew, and the ship lay heavy on the glassy sea without sign that the calm was ever to be broken. On the morning of the eighth day there was a better feeling, however. No one had been attacked during the night, and we began to hope that the epidemic had exhausted itself. The bark had, of course, been snugged down long before, but on the forenoon of this day, the sun not being quite so fierce, the hatches were secured, things aloft more closely attended to, and the craft made ready for what might happen to a short handed crew. At noon every man ate a hearty dinner. An hour later four men were taken down almost at the same moment, and the symptoms were more violent than in any of the preceding cases. They were seized with the terrible thirst—they drank quarts of water—they went mad and died. There was no burial of the bodies; they were simply thrown overboard as soon as life had departed. When this had been done, the mate called the living around him and said there was no longer any hope that a man would be spared. The captain's gig could be got at handily, and in case we wanted to take it and pull away from the ship he would help to get her in the water. The two sailors were eager to be off, but my mind was quickly made up to remain with Mr. Merwin. He did not express himself either way on the subject, but we provisioned the boat, got her down, and the men scrambled into her and pulled away as if the ship had been on fire or was expected to go down. They went off to the east, and after rowing a couple of miles gave o'er and raised an awning for shelter.

When the mate and I were left alone, he wrote up his logbook and also prepared two statements, which he sealed up in bottles and cast overboard. We then burned tar and sulphur to disinfect the cabin and forecastle, and he drank a pint of rum with which he had mixed a large dose of common black pepper. I tried to swallow some, but it was too fiery.

That night when I went to sleep the bark was heaving about on the ground swell in the same monotonous way and Merwin sat at the table in the cabin reading a book. I slept the night through without a break, and it was sunrise when I turned out. I looked into the mate's stateroom, but saw that he had not been to bed. I ran on deck, but he was nowhere to be seen. I called him and began a search, and it was a full hour before I gave up and realized that he was not in the ship. What had happened during the night I could only surmise. He was either seized with the dread epidemic and wandered about and fell overboard or the strain on his mind was so great that he deliberately committed suicide. He had not wakened me or left a message of any sort behind.

When I fully realized that I was alone aboard of the ship, I was so terrified that I hid away in the cabin for several hours. It was not until noon that I remembered the men who had pulled away the day before and went on deck to look for them. By the aid of the captain's glass I soon had the boat under my eye. She had drifted down to within a mile of the ship, and by going aloft I could make out that there was no one in her. I was not absolutely certain on this point, however, until about 2 o'clock. By that time she had drifted down to within 100 feet of the bark, and the only relics of the men to be seen were a coat and hat. For two hours the gig remained so close that I could have reached her by swimming, but then a current took her and she drifted slowly away to the north. Aside from the boat I remember very little of what occurred that day or the next. The epidemic had taken away 13 strong and healthy men, and why should I be spared? A dozen times over I felt the first symptoms, or so imagined, and my troubled sleep was full of the most terrible dreams. Things are not at all clear to me until the morning of the eleventh day of the calm. Then I awoke to find myself as well as ever in my life and ran on deck to find signs of a change in the weather. I was ravenously hungry, and, having often assisted the cook, I knew how to get a fire alight in the caboose and prepare food. The nauseating, deathlike smell which had hitherto prevailed over the ship had entirely disappeared, and when my hunger had been satisfied I readily made myself believe that the fever had gone for good.

Although only a lad and my experience as a sailor limited to months, I yet had wit enough to look at the captain's charts and find our position as he had pricked it off. I could tell nothing of distances, but I knew the bark was on the great highway between the South American ports and the cape of Good Hope. I knew how to make a signal of distress of the English flag, and, although there was no wind, I ran the bunting aloft as soon as thought of. During the afternoon I was busy about the decks picking up and coiling down and seeing that everything was secure, and at noon I prepared another meal.

It was 3 o'clock in the afternoon before the first catspaws began playing over the glassy surface of the sea, but in the course of half an hour a steady breeze set in from the north, and the bark went drifting away before it. I marked her drift by compass as east by south. I had heard sailors talk much of wreck and disaster, and before night came on I got out some pieces of sheet iron to lay on the deck and prepared materials for a beacon fire. I remained on deck till half past 10 o'clock, ready to light my beacon in case I saw the light of a craft, and then went to my berth and slept soundly till an hour after sunrise. When I gained the deck, I saw a sail to the south about eight miles away, which must have passed close to me early in the morning. I have aways felt certain that this craft had daylight in which to see my signal, and the fact of the bark having all sails furled and being adrift was clearly noticed, but she kept her way without making an investigation. Six times during the long day I went aloft with the glass and swept the sea, but no other sail greeted my vision. When night came, I remained awake until midnight and then lay down on deck, but nothing happened except that the wind changed about to the west and grew somewhat stronger.

Morning came and brought a clear horizon, nor was anything sighted for the next five days and nights. During this interval the breeze blew from every point of the compass except the east, but did not rise to a gale or create a heavy sea. I had little to do except to cook my meals and go aloft to look for sails, but I made as much work for myself as I could and did not permit my mind to dwell on the present or future. On the seventh or eighth day of my loneliness, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and while the bark was drifting to the east under a light breeze, I went aloft and made out a sail to the north, a second to the south and a third to the west. The two first were too far away to hope for assistance. The third was coming up and must pass me close. She was but a speck on the horizon when I made her out, but two hours later I had her in plain view, and at 5 o'clock she was up with me. She proved to be the ship Amazon of Liverpool, bound for the Cape with soldiers and emigrants, and a crew was put aboard of the derelict and she was headed for that port in company. Ship and cargo were worth a big sum of money, but I was not entitled to a dollar of salvage. There were those who even said I ought to be thankful for my escape from the epidemic, let alone the question of a reward. I had to tell the story over and over again, make affidavits, go into court and sign papers, and I may tell you that before I got through playing the hero I was disgusted with the whole business and hoping nothing of the sort would ever occur again.

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Varies It.

Hicks—What a tiresome bore Stuffer is! He is forever telling about the things he has eaten. It's positively disgusting.

Wicks—Oh, you are too hard on Stuffer! Sometimes he is talking about the things he is going to eat.—Boston Transcript.

Killed by Railways.

The proportion of killed to the number of railway travelers is: France, 1 in 19,000,000; Great Britain, 1 in 28,000,000, and in the United States, 1 in 2,400,000.

SHORT WORDS.

They Are the Best When the Thoughts Are Worth While.

A dozen or less newspaper men were collected together, when somebody said something about Rudyard Kipling.

"I notice in the papers," said another, "that he is the best paid writer in the world at present."

"The Pall Mall Gazette people say they paid him $750 a poem for all they printed of his," ventured a third.

"And why not?" put in a fourth. "He is the best writer of English prose or verse now writing. That one line of his, 'A rag and a bone and a hank of hair,' describing a vampire woman, couldn't be stronger, I think."

"Good and strong," commented a fifth, "but Kipling is not the only man who has chosen monosyllables to give emphatic expression to his thought. If you will remember, Pope in his essay on 'Criticism' remarked, 'And ten low words oft creep in one dull line,' and before and after him there were others, who, as he, were scarcely dull and seldom crept. Hymn writers are strong in this. Take Watts in that well known hymn, for instance:

"Are there no foes for me to face?
Must I not stem the flood?
Is this vile world a friend to grace
To help me on to God?

"Shakespeare found one syllabled words good enough for him, and you all know that passage of Young's:

"The bell strikes one. We take no note of time,
Save by its loss, etc.

"Bailey's 'Festus,' that makes its reader feel as if he had 'eaten of the insane root that takes the reason prisoner,' has many examples, and this one you will recall:

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths,
We should count time by heart throbs. He most lives
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.

"And the Bible, the greatest of books, is filled with the short words. Right at the beginning of things we find, 'And God said let there be light, and there was light,' and at the end of things, so to speak, 'For the great day of his wrath is come, and who shall be able to stand?' and still further along, 'And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day, for there shall be no night there.'

"Oh, Kipling is all right! He knows he has plenty of authority for seeking short words when he wants strong ones."—Washington Star.

A DARKY'S PRIZE MENU.

But His Friends Weren't Betting Against a Sure Thing.

Three negroes not long ago made a bet among themselves that each could name a supper that would be better than the others could name. They put up $1 apiece, and the one that named the dishes that would constitute the best supper should take the $3. They drew straws as to which ones should be the first and the last to make up the menu for the imaginary meal. The first man said he couldn't think of anything better than greens boiled with hog jowl. For side dishes he would take corn bread, souse, black eyed peas, and wash them down with buttermilk. The other two smacked their lips.

"Well, for me," said No. 2, "I'd take fried chicken, hot biscuits, buttered 'n spread over with preserves—'n den, 'n den—let's see—yes, 'n 'simmon beer 'n ginger cakes."

The mouths of the other two spilled water, and it was apparent that they were hungry. It came No. 3's time.

"W'y, youse niggers don't know what's good," said he. "Tell me, fools, what's better'n possum baked wid sweet 'tatchs scattered all roun it, swimmin in de gravy? Hey? 'N den atter youse done nibbled at de bones tell they ain't no more meat on 'em dere set de water millyon starin you in de face lik'. Hey?" And with that he started to pick up the money.

"You leave dat money alone," the other two yelled in chorus. "We warn't bettin ag'in no sure thing."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Telegraphic Anomalies.

At a recent meeting of the British chamber of commerce in Paris E. J. Hemebryk, one of the vice presidents of the Liverpool chamber of commerce, made an interesting statement and sought the support of the Paris chamber in his endeavors to obtain acceleration in the delivery of telegrams in France. He said that telegraphing from Liverpool he could obtain a reply from his New York house in three minutes, while from his house in Paris it took five hours. There were countries, like Austria, which were even worse, the time for a reply being sometimes as much as six or seven hours. There could be no greater condemnation of the present system than the practice which was commonly followed by Liverpool merchants. When they wanted to obtain a reply quickly from, say Havre, they would telegraph to Havre through their New York office, and they could thus obtain through New York a reply in half an hour which it would take them four or five hours to obtain direct. The blame could not be attached to the English postoffice, for he had ascertained that, as a rule, a telegram handed in at any English office left the United Kingdom within 15 minutes of being handed in.

The Paris chamber agreed to give the subject its most earnest consideration, with a view to taking steps to obtain reform.—Paris Messenger.

Left In the Lurch.

Simultaneously a young Cornish lady had three suitors, representing the church, the army and the navy. The reverend gentleman had a great advantage over his rivals, being always "on the spot." Referring to his rivals in conversation with the lady on one occasion, he made the highly interesting observation that there were "land rats and water rats."

"And cu-rats," retorted the lady.

Needless to say the parson had to look elsewhere for a wife.—London News.

THE CITY.

A LETTER recently received from Dawson City contains the news that H. F. W. Behnsen, formerly of this city, has for some weeks been suffering from scurvy, Joe Levy being installed as his nurse. Nothing was said in the letter in question as to Mr. Behnsen's reported big luck in the gold fields.

WORD has been received by the Klondike Mining, Trading & Transport Corporation that their steamship Amur has put into Honolulu with her coal cargo shifted. She left Labuan, Borneo, on the 6th January last, to enter the Klondike trade with headquarters in this city, and as the re-arrangement of her cargo would be a matter requiring but little time, it is to be expected that she will soon put in her appearance. She is a vessel in every way well adapted to the purposes of her new trade.

THE Young Liberal Association held its annual election of officers last evening. Senator Templeman was elected honorary president; Geo. Riley, vice honorary president; L. P. Duff, president; John Bell, first vice president; W. J. Hanna, second vice president; J. W. Walker, secretary; W. T. Hardasher, Treasurer; G. T. Walker, assistant treasurer. The executive committee consists of Frank Higgins, James Bell, W. Taylor, Wm. Smith and James Murray.

A PARTY of Yukoners from northern Minnesota arrived from Seattle last Friday and having completed their outfits in this city intend starting North by the Islander. Mr. Sullivan, of Mezzapa, is the leader of the party, which also includes W. C. Brown, H. Sanderson and M. J. Harney. They purchased their supplies, etc., from Messrs. Gilmore & McCandless, H. Young & Co. and the Hudson's Bay Co., and, as Mr. Sullivan said yesterday, "after settling all our bills we sat down and figured out the profits we had made by buying in this city. We had spent a few days in Seattle and are thoroughly posted on the prices in that place. We therefore calculate that we have made from $40 to $50 per man. Not only this, but the treatment we received from your merchants made it a pleasure to do business with them. I intend advising all I know who are thinking of going to the mines to come on to Victoria and look around before buying, and I am satisfied that if they do so they will leave their orders here. The only pity is that your city is not better known, still even out in Minnesota one hears of Victoria and your reputation for fair dealing is steadily gaining friends for your city."

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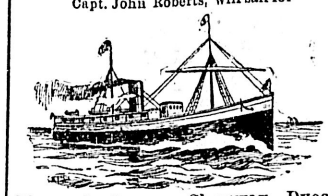

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Ar. Wellington	12:45	6:35

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	Daily	Sat'day
Ar. Victoria	A.M. 12:07	P.M. 7:00
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LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 1 going East Monday.

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For Plumper Pass—Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

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E. A. WILMOT,
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FREE SPEECH GUARANTEED.

The attempt was made yesterday to shut off debate on the action of Hon. Messrs. Turner and Pooley in accepting seats on a London directorate; but Mr. Speaker receded from his position and the discussion went on. The incident emphasized the fact that the government wants the question ventilated. In order that there may be no misapprehension of the point involved, we may mention that there is no intention on the part of any one to debate whether or not any of the newspapers were guilty of a libel. Under the rules of the house such a discussion would be ruled out of order and could not be carried on unless the decision of Mr. Speaker was overruled by a vote of the house.

We trust that the public now see the entire reasonableness of the COLONIST'S position in this matter. How very absurd it would have been if a matter affecting the standing of two members of the ministry would have to be omitted from the discussions of the legislature, because some over-ardent newspaper men chose to make references to the subject in language that led to prosecutions for libel. There were some people who really believed the COLONIST was taking a most incendiary position, was setting the law at defiance, and placing itself where it could be punished summarily by the courts, while all the time it was only insisting upon the right of frees discussion in the house and in the press. This is the stand which the COLONIST always will take. If it knows anything at all, it is as to what its rights are in the way of freely treating all subjects of public interest, and it does not propose to be stopped from exercising those rights, nor to sit by and allow other papers to be refused the right of free discussion, or, what amounts to the same thing, to be advised that they have no right of free discussion, and that their mouths can be closed by prosecution. It also thinks it understands what the rights of the legislature are, and these it proposes to contend for. It feels very certain that even its most hostile critics will concede that it has been on the right side in this matter.

Now that the discussion, so far as it relates to the freedom of the press and the legislature is at an end, we may add our regret that on one occasion an opinion was expressed in these columns as to the guilt of one of the defendants.

NABOTH'S VINEYARD.

Was ever a great nation placed in such a humiliating position before the world as the United States is being put by those people who seem to have the guidance of its policy in regard to matters touching the northbound trade to the Yukon? That piece of Canadian territory drained by the Yukon, although not more than half as large as the adjoining territory of Alaska, and smaller than many of the states of the Union, is so big in the eyes of certain United States pettifogging politicians that they appear to be lying awake at night to discover ways of getting exceptional privileges there. To what use is it that the flag of the Union floats over half a continent, if United States citizens cannot have all the good things to be found in this comparatively small corner?

Some of the demands made are appalling in their unreasonableness. For the permission of transshipping goods at Wrangel, one member of congress wants to have it stipulated that Canada shall permit every miner who goes into the Yukon from the United States to carry 2,500 pounds of goods with him without paying any duty. It is hard to surpass this as a specimen of monumental impudence. If this becomes the law of the United States, we are very sure that the verdict of the people of the province of British Columbia will be to accept no privileges on such terms, but to declare that the Yukon country is closed to alien immigration, at least until such time as a line of railway has been built from some point on the British Columbia coast. We all of us are anxious to see the Yukon developed. Nearly every person has made some calculation upon the prosperity likely to follow from it; but we will all be content to wait rather than that the Yukon should be thus handed over to a foreign nation. We do not believe that even the congress of the United States will pass so impudent a measure; but if wrong counsels prevail at Washington, and anything so derogatory to the dignity of Canada finds a place on the statute book, there is only one course for Canada to take, and that is to declare that no alien shall be permitted to hold a mining claim in the Yukon, and that no line of railway shall be built into the country except through territory in the undisputed possession of the British crown.

Canada has acted towards her neighbor with extraordinary generosity. She is being repaid with the blackest ingratitude. It is time to give notice that there is a limit beyond which the people of Canada cannot be pressed, and that this limit has been reached. The position of the Dominion government is attended with some difficulty, but we are glad to believe the intention to be to take a firm stand upon the right of Canada to enjoy the advantages resulting from the development of her great wealth. Speaking in the House of Commons last week, Sir Richard Cartwright said that it was the intention of the government to protect every right possessed by the Dominion. We hope they will discover a way of doing so and of checkmating the plans of our envious and unreasonable neighbors.

WORD has been received from the revenue cutter Bear, sent north by the United States government with supplies for the whalers imprisoned in the ice off Point Barrow. The news, which was brought by the schooner Lakme from Dutch Harbor, is not very favorable to the early opening of Behring sea navigation. The best information led the officers of the Bear to expect to be able to reach Sledge island, in latitude 64 N., but pack ice was encountered as low as 62 N. parallel, so that the vessel was compelled to land her expedition at Point Vancouver, which is nearly 300 miles south of St. Michael's. This makes the sledge expedition fully 700 miles longer than was anticipated, and may cause the whole project to fail, although a courageous attempt has been made to accomplish it. The log of the Bear, or the narrative compiled from it, indicates that Norton sound and the whole Alaska coast down as far as the 60th parallel was locked in ice early in December? If the winter is at all severe, this would imply that steamers will be unable to make St. Michael's until an unusually late date. We make this statement on the strength of the fact that the Bear's officers found the ice further south by three hundred miles than they had reason to expect.

WHEN will contemporaries stop reading into COLONIST articles things that the COLONIST never dreamed of? The other day this paper said that the numerical smallness of the legislature was one reason why the sessions were long, which leads the Kootenay Mail to think this foreshadows an intention on the part of the government to increase the membership. It foreshadowed nothing, but was merely an expression of opinion on the subject discussed. The trouble with some of the COLONIST'S critics is that they never by any accident have an original idea, and therefore nose around among COLONIST editorials for something to write about, and the last thing they credit anyone with is frankness. If the COLONIST should say that two and two are four, some opposition paper would at once proceed to write an editorial to show that this meant either that the representation of Esquimalt is to be doubled, or that the government has some secret design of doubling the possessions of the Dunsmuir-Rithet-Cohen-Heinze, etc., etc., combination.

COL. JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS, of Seattle, a member of the United States House of Representatives and a generally irrepressible personage, is now in Ottawa interceding for all manner of things in behalf of his beloved city. It is hard to refuse anything to so charming a person as the gallant colonel, who wears a beautiful smile and really very elegant clothes; but we fear that he will find the plain-going folk at the Canadian capital deaf to his mellifluous entreaties. We venture to suggest that, if he is invited to Rideau Hall and shown a little deserved attention, he will have a first-rate time, even if he must return to Washington empty-handed.

THE Seattle Times has made a not unnatural error about the particular Begg whose railway charter a New York paper alleges Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have bought. Mr. Begg is not a newspaper man. He is not the Alexander Begg who started the Seattle Telegraph. This gentleman died a few months ago. Alexander Begg, who with some associates secured a railway charter from Glenora to Teslin Lake, is a man who has been conspicuous in British Columbia for his agitation of crofter immigration.

IF the government of the United States would make up its mind at once to settle the Cuban trouble and get in and do it, the rest of the world would hardly have a word to say in protest. What wearies every one is the senseless and profitless bluster that is engaged in. No other country in the world permits irresponsible legislators to drag it to the verge of war two or three times a year.

THE movement to establish a school lacrosse league is an excellent one and deserves success. The idea is to teach boys to put up a good, clean game of lacrosse. The teachers are taking a lively interest in it. This is as it ought to be, for manly games, conducted in the right spirit, are of inestimable value to young lads. They teach courage and self-reliance.

DR. WALKEM objected to reporters being seated on the floor of the house, saying that when he and Mr. Speaker were reporters they had to do their work in the galleries on their knees. If the Doctor and the Speaker would do a little more work nowadays on their knees we don't suppose it would hurt them.

THE debate on the address so far has disclosed nothing new. Each opposition speaker when he sits down, after delivering himself of what he has to say, only proves the COLONIST'S proposition that when the house met the opposition would be found without anything to justify the assaults made upon the government during the recess.

THE Columbian has discovered that the references of the COLONIST to redistribution in its brief forecast of the speech is the argument "of admitted cowardice, dishonesty and incompetency." The folly of using language like this consists in the fact that it is so ridiculously exaggerated that no one believes it to be seriously intended.

THE Inland Sentinel says the reason we do not have better roads in this province is because the building of them is entrusted to men who do not understand the work. This is the excuse that is made all the world over, almost; and there is some foundation for it, because in point of fact good road makers are exceedingly scarce anywhere.

THE Rossland Miner notes with great satisfaction that the Merchant's Bank of Halifax and the Bank of Montreal have decided to build brick blocks in that city. It certainly is an excellent certificate of the substantial character of Rossland's progress that two such monetary institutions have determined to invest in permanent offices there.

IN his speech on the address in the House of Commons Sir Richard Cartwright expressed his belief that when the next Dominion loans fall due they can be retired with a new issue at 2½ per cent. without any provision for sinking fund. If this is done the saving to the taxpayer will be very great.

THE silver agitation seems to be losing none of its force in the United States. The prosperity promised as the result of President McKinley's election has not materialized. The whole industrial and financial atmosphere seemed surcharged with the elements of a storm.

THE COLONIST is glad to be able to say that an effort and a very successful one has been made to provide proper accommodation for the reporters in the legislature. They have comfortable seats and good tables on the floor of the house and a convenient room for their use.

THE COLONIST congratulates the B.C. Mining Journal upon its article upon what it calls the "Poor Man's Route" to the Yukon; but wishes its contemporary had been a little more up to date in its references to the Stikine river.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

An Unwarranted Arrest.—Magistrate—You say the officer arrested you while you were quietly minding your own business?

Prisoner—Yes, your worship.

Magistrate—You were quietly attending to your own business, making no noise or disturbance of any kind?

Prisoner—None whatever, sir.

Magistrate—It seems very strange. What is your business?

Prisoner—I'm a burglar.

Too Late.—Driver (as he runs over cyclist)—Look, out, there.

Cyclist (before fainting)—Why? Coming back this way?

Endoubtedly.—Jasper—What do you think Howells meant when he spoke about one of his characters being a "hen-minded" woman?

Jumpuppe—Oh, I guess he meant that she never thought about anything else except her own set.

The Curious Heathen—"Your religion," asked the intelligent heathen, "commands you to love your neighbor as yourself?"

"Exactly," answered the missionary.

"I do not err, then, in presuming that you have invented all those long-range, rapid-firing guns to prevent the obnoxious stranger from approaching close enough to be deemed a neighbor."

Wilhelm's Piety—The Emperor of China—And all this trouble results from the attack on the German missionaries?

Li Hung Chang—Apparently. As soon as Kaiser Wilhelm heard of the attack on the missionaries he got religion.

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B. C. BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

A Satisfactory Year for This Useful Philanthropic Institution.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Benevolent Society was held at Pioneer hall yesterday, with present: Messrs. Alex. Wilson (in the chair), T. J. Burnes, Allan Grahame, F. B. Watson, F. Carne, jr., J. F. Fell, W. Walker, J. B. Lovell, W. H. Mason, and Mrs. M. Adams, while the following were represented by proxy, viz.: R. Hall, Joseph Wilson, B. Boggs, G. E. Munroe and Pemberton & Sons. After the minutes of last annual meeting had been read and confirmed the president's report read as follows:

"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—We have now reached our twenty-sixth anniversary meeting, and I am happy to inform you that the society, although it had to commence the year 1897 with the very small balance of $72.17, has been able to keep its existence and no case of distress or need that has been worthy of help and that has been brought to the notice of the society's officers has been neglected. The treasurer's report shows that only a small portion of the funds during the past year have been derived from subscriptions and donations the amount being $268, the principal revenue coming from the very excellent concert, 'Farmer's Grand Mass,' got up by Mr. F. Victor Austin and a number of ladies and gentlemen after a great deal of industrious and careful rehearsal and management, this produced $100.30; then there was the collection of $206.65 at the Diamond Jubilee service and the bequest from our good friend, the late lamented Mr. L. E. Erb, which less the probate duty charged by the government was $285.

"One hundred and thirty relief orders of different kinds have been given, amounting to an expenditure of $388.72, and after deducting the necessary expenses leaves a balance of $403.75 to commence the present year. The smallness of the relief expenditure is caused by the fact that orders given for food, etc., have been for smaller amounts generally than in former years, and it was deemed prudent to do so, as thereby a sufficiency of funds would be in hand to meet the possible expense for fuel if the winter should turn out a severe one. The season moreover has so far been more than usually mild, and consequently the saving for this necessary has been large.

"The Women's Friendly Help Association has been of great assistance to us in not only aiding us in the dispensation of charitable help to the poor and needy in an intelligent and just manner, but also in helping us to guard against the danger of imposition and false representation.

"The Salvation Army Shelter is an institution which deserves our warmest commendation and thanks. The excellent arrangement of their food and shelter department has enabled us many a time to obtain at a rate—than which nothing could be cheaper—solid help for men in temporary misfortune and need, and in some cases where the men have shown a willingness and capacity to work they have been helped by the officers of the institution to get employment.

"In conclusion, I have to thank all those who have in any way assisted the society to carry out the charitable aims for which it is intended."

The balance sheet for the year 1897 was also presented as follows, certified correct by the auditor, Mr. A. Grahame:

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1896	$ 72 17
May 7, net proceeds "Farmers' Mass" concert, per Mr. V. Austin.	100 30
June 25, Diamond Jubilee service collection	206 65
December 4, bequest from the late L. E. Erb, less probate duty	285 00
Subscriptions and donations	268 00
Refunds from city treasurer for charity passages	17 50
Total	$949 62

EXPENDITURE.

Relief, January and February	$ 58 00
" March	38 30
" April	22 50
" May and June	61 12
" July and August	39 00
" September	32 00
" October	24 10
" November	30 50
" December	83 20
A. Grahame, audit acc., 1896	5 00
Secretary-Treasurer's salary, 1897	150 00
Postal cards and stationery	2 15
Total	$545 87
Balance carried forward	403 75
Grand Total	$949 62

The following officers were duly elected for 1898: Alex. Wilson, president; F. Carne, jr., vice-president; W. H. Mason, secretary-treasurer.

FROLICS OF THE WIND.

Yesterday's Storm the Biggest Blow of This Winter—Vessels Delayed Along the Waterfront.

The storm king was out in full force yesterday and the wind during the morning reached a velocity that has not previously been approached this winter. In the morning between 9 and 10 o'clock, according to the government meteorological station, it was blowing 65 miles an hour from the southwest. Aside from weak fences, sign-boards and other such things that the first wind of the season generally lays low, the storm dealt the telephone and telegraph service a blow. One of the most exciting incidents of the day happened on Government street during the afternoon. A number of telephone wires were broken close to a pole, and were carried across the trolley wire. The result was that a span of horses drawing a Phœnix brewery wagon came in contact with the live wire, and both were thrown. The horses, fortunately, were not badly injured.

Along the water front the effect of the storm was most felt and small craft in port did not venture outside the harbor. The Kingston was held prisoner at her dock until the tug Sadie came to her assistance and aided her to turn her bow to the wind. The freighting steamer Oscar lay at her wharf all day in readiness once the wind abated to pull out for Anacortes for a load of hay. In Esquimalt the Al Ki's launch was postponed. No serious mishaps were reported.

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In the Supreme Court of British Columbia In Probate. In the Estate of Thomas Sawdry Bone, Deceased.

Whereas by an order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Irving dated the 24th day of Jan. A. D. 1898, we the undersigned were appointed administrators of the estate of the deceased. Now notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present the same to us for settlement; and all persons indebted to the same estate are requested to make payment to us forthwith.

WM. HENRY BONE, GEORGE SIMPSON, } Administrators.
Victoria, B. C. February 9th, 1898. f10

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SEVERAL articles of feminine apparel, including an Astrachan muff, a black fur collar and a jacket, have been found in and about the parliament buildings since the opening. These may be obtained by calling at the office of the librarian.

THE real and personal estate of the late James Porter has been declared under $75,000. The testator bequeaths five hundred dollars (free of legacy duty) to the British Columbia Protestant Orphan's Home, and provides for the residue of the estate being divided amongst his relatives.

THE inquest into the death of Parker McKenzie, the unfortunate from Silverton who was found dead in his bed at the Australian hotel, did not bring out any further particulars, than were told in the COLONIST yesterday. The autopsy showed that the man had been asphyxiated by gas, and the jury brought in a verdict of accidental death. Owing to the telegraph wires being down yesterday, instructions as to the disposal of the remains have not yet been received from the States.

THE wedding of Mr. R. H. St. John Boddington, of Norfolk, Eng., and Miss Edith Emilie Mawdsley, daughter of Mr. W. H. Mawdsley, was celebrated in a quiet manner at Christ church cathedral yesterday afternoon, Rev. Canon Paddon officiating. After the ceremony the newly wedded couple with many friends repaired to the residence of the bride's father where congratulations were poured in upon them. Afterwards Mr. and Mrs. Boddington left for Mayne island, where they will take up their residence.

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MEN who have outfitted in Seattle for the Yukon are finding out very fast how much better it would have been for them to have got their supplies in Canada. When they discover that they have to pay duty and then are obliged to come to Victoria or some other coast town in British Columbia for their miners' licenses, they get a rude awakening from the idea that foreigners can walk into the Yukon with foreign supplies without let or hinderence. At first they tried to secure licenses by proxy, but that is not allowed, and now the attempt is made during the hour or two stay of American vessels in port to get out the licenses before the boats sail again. Yesterday morning soon after 6 o'clock Collector Milne was wakened by parties of miners driving up to his door and asking that he would rush them out licenses, as they had come on the Kingston and wanted to get back on the return trip of the vessel at 8 o'clock. Collector Milne, however, does not keep licenses in his house, and so the visitors had to do like other people—wait for the office to open at its usual hour.

IN spite of the tempestuous and stormy weather last evening, the special service under Dr. Munhall and Prof. Birch was well attended, and every indication shows that these meetings are going to be the most memorable held in this city for a long time. These gentlemen conduct the meeting in a manner perfectly original to themselves. The subject dealt with by Dr. Munhall was the 12th chapter of Romans. The central thought of the discourse, and pressed home with great power by the Doctor, was the need for every church member to present himself a living sacrifice to God's service. The need of the day is the fullest activity on the part of the one-talented Christians. There will be children's meeting at 3:15 p.m., by Prof. Birch, in Emmanuel Baptist church, to-day, and to-day also a meeting at 3 p.m. in the Metropolitan church; subject, "Evidences of conversion," by Dr. Munhall. The balance of the meetings will be held in the Metropolitan Methodist church. There will be a young people's special service on Sunday afternoon in Metropolitan church—"admission by ticket." There will be a meeting on Thursday evening of Sunday school officers and teachers and officers and active members of all young people's societies at the close of the usual service.

COLWOOD CHURCH.

A Successful Inaugural Gathering and a Christening Ceremony.

The social at Colwood announced for the evening of the 8th instant duly took place and was in every respect a great success. The doors were opened at 7:30 o'clock and by 9 o'clock upwards of 200 people were present. Among the divines who came from town were Rev. D. MacRae, Rev. W. L. Clay and Rev. P. C. L. Harris, in company with Mr. J. G. Brown, leader and the other members of the First Presbyterian church choir. Rev. Dr. MacRae of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, was called upon to take the chair. In his opening remarks he spoke of having seen the pews, the windows and the doors in the old Craigflower church in which he preached in a few years ago. The programme then started was a long and varied one, consisting of songs and recitations and instrumental music. Speeches were made by Rev. Messrs. Clay, Harris and J. Robertson, missionary of Pender Island, and who had charge of this field some three years ago and who was then the means of getting the church started. Upon his leaving for college the matter was allowed to stand for over two years, and during a high gale last march the building was blown flat to the ground. Many kind and complimentary words were spoken by the different speakers on behalf of the missionary now in charge, Mr. L. A. Thomson, who has been the means of bringing the church to a successful completion. In Rev. Mr. Clay's remarks he christened the church by the name of St. Matthew's. At the close of the programme the missionary in charge came forward and presented the congregation with a large pulpit Bible which he was instrumental in getting as a present from a leading book store in Toronto. Mr. Thomson also thanked all present for their attendance and assistance in making the social throughout a success. Refreshments were then served and the doxology was sung, which brought the largest gathering ever assembled in Colwood to a close.

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DEBATE CONTINUED.

Interesting Addresses in the Legislature on the Speech From the Throne.

Standing Committees for the Session—Important Questions Answered.

The continuation of the debate upon the speech from the throne occupied all yesterday afternoon in the local legislature, the remarks of the several members being listened to with interest by a changing crowd in the visitors' gallery. The business of the day was prefaced with prayer by Rev. Canon Beanlands, and before proceeding with the order paper.

Mr. Speaker Higgins informed the house that two important matters had arisen, on which he asked the advice of the house. There had been standing objection to the presence of a number of gentleman not members or officers of the legislature within the limits of the assembly hall. And again the acoustics of the chamber had within the past few days been demonstrated as bad, and he had, therefore, taken the liberty to invite the representatives of the press to take a more advantageous position on the floor of the house, this arrangement being, of course, subject to the approval of the house. He also asked the house whether the floor of the chamber should be used hereafter as in the past for the purpose of "lobbying." Following the Eastern plan, he was inclined to favor the reservation of seats on the floor of the house for ex-members of the legislature or for introduced distinguished strangers. Both matters touched upon he left in the hands of the house, inviting an expression of opinion in each.

Hon. Mr. Turner in reply regretted that the acoustics of the chamber had been found unsatisfactory, and while admitting the importance of affording every facility to the press, held with the Speaker that the general public should not be admitted to the floor of the house. The members would always, he felt sure, be glad to see distinguished guests present and treated with all courtesy, but from the commencement, the general public should be excluded from the floor of the house. (Applause.

Mr. Kennedy (New Westminster) directed the Speaker's attention to still another matter requiring his attention. The intrusion of men in the gallery designed for the special accommodation of the ladies.

This subject had already been brought to his notice, Mr. Speaker said, and cause for complaint should not again arise.

Dr. Walkem, (South Nanaimo), with reference to the accommodation of the press representatives, doubted if the change made would be for the better. He asked Mr. Speaker to contrast to-day's treatment of the reporters in the legislature with that accorded himself (Dr. Walkem) and Mr. Speaker when they first reported the proceedings of the local parliament, and were glad to find a place in the gallery and hold their note books while they chronicled the deliberations of the lawmakers. With regard to the lobbying nuisance, he agreed that it was a subject of general complaint, and regretted that parties interested in bills before the house should not keep away while these measures were receiving consideration.

Terminating the informal discussion, Mr. Speaker suggested that a committee on orders assist him in the preservation of the privileges of the floor and lobbies of the house.

PETITIONS RECEIVED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the standing committees interested:

J. D. Sibbald and other ratepayers of Revelstoke, re speedy incorporation of the City of Revelstoke.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper and others, for a private bill re Argenta-Dawson-Duncan Railway Company.

R. T. Williams, to incorporate "The South-East Kootenay Railway Company."

"The Nanaimo Electric Light, Power and Heat Company," for extended powers.

Wm. McKenzie, to incorporate "The North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Company."

A. B. Cotton, to incorporate "The Revelstoke and Cassiar Railway Company."

Harry Abbott and others, to incorporate "The Mountain Tramway and Electric Company.

Edward George Villiers and others, to incorporate "The Omineca Railway Company."

C. W. D. Clifford, to incorporate "The Kitimat Railway Company."

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. Huff—From M. McGregor, F. W. Vincent and others, for a private bill incorporating a railway company to build from Alice Arm to Teslin Lake.

Mr. Helmcken — With permission withdrew the petition standing in the name of C. W. D. Clifford re Kitimat railway, and substituted a petition to the same tenor and effect standing in the name of Maitland-Kersey and associates.

THE DEBATE ON THE SPEECH.

Hon. Mr. Martin (North Yale) continuing his remarks on the motion for reply to the speech of His Honor, first referred to the statement of the member for Vancouver (Mr. Williams) that in the matter of the crown grant to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, the government had gone beyond the authority of the act and the intention of the legislature. On the contrary he declared there had been strict compliance with both the statute and the legislature's wish. The grant had been made under the express instruction of the act that where the lands could not, owing to prior occupation or other cause, be got in alternate blocks, they might be selected in any other part of the West Kootenay district. The member for Vancouver had also gone out of his way to criticise the absence of the Attorney-General, which afforded one reason for the delay in the initiation of the session. As a fact, the Attorney-General had been obliged through illness to leave the province for a time, and he thought that under these circumstances the remarks of the hon. member for Vancouver were both uncalled for and unkind. In connection with the causes of the delay in the opening, it might be noted that a chief reason was that the new buildings could not be completed earlier—bad weather preventing the arrival of necessary materials. As to the location of the buildings, still harped on by certain members of the opposition, he would once more say that he had not voted for the construction of the buildings at Victoria, this having been one of the few questions of policy in which he had found himself as a representative of the people of Yale, obliged to vote against his colleagues. But when the majority of the house decided that the time had come to build a new home for the parliament of British Columbia and to build it at Victoria, he felt it his duty to bow to the decision of the majority, and as Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to do all in his power to carry out the thus expressed wishes of the people as economically and expeditiously as possible. The opposition had grumbled at the old buildings as unfit for the legislators to occupy; now they grumbled because suitable premises had been secured. They would always grumble, but he felt that he had done his duty and the country in its new government buildings had made a good bargain. With reference to the remarks of the seconder of the reply, he was glad to see that the honorable member for Cariboo recognized the desirability for immediately opening up means of communication between the district which he represents and the Teslin Lake country. He could assure that honorable member that the government was not ignorant of the importance of the connection desired; he had indeed already communicated with the government agents at Lillooet and other places, asking that they report to the department of lands and works as to the cost of building such a road as the honorable member suggested, from Quesnelle mouth to Telegraph Creek. He did not think anything else in the speeches of honorable gentlemen opposite called for explanations by him, and closed amidst applause by congratulating the mover and seconder of the reply on the success of their efforts.

Mr. Kennedy (New Westminster) felt difficulty in approaching the speech from the throne, as its paucity of matter left little to be said with it as the text. He would therefore have to say more of the things which were omitted from the speech than of those included. As to the new parliament buildings, of which so much had been said in praise—he had kicked before construction was decided upon, as he had not then thought the country ready for the building of such a palace. Now that the buildings were completed, no doubt in a manner creditable to those constructing them, he still found it his duty to kick at certain defects which should not have been allowed to occur. The legislative chamber, he held, was total unfitted for the purposes for which it had been designed—its acoustics were not what they should be; the people in the galleries could not see the Speaker's chair; means of egress from the galleries was badly wanted—and worst ommission of all, no suitable provision had been made for the accommodation of the press, while the lighting was so bad that the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works had been forced the previous evening to move the adjournament of the debate as he could not see ——

Hon. Mr. Martin—That was the fault of my failing eyesight, not the lighting. (Laughter).

Mr. Kennedy, continuing, held that in the plate bearing the names of those chiefly entitled to credit in construction of the magnificent architectural pile, omission had been made of the name of Mr. Howell, the clerk of works, than whom no one was more entitled to lasting congratulation for the economical and satisfactory carrying out of the artist's design. While on the subject of public buildings he held that the government should pursue the same liberal policy with regard to the hospital for the insane at New Westminster as it had in connection with the buildings of which the legislature had now taken possession. He censured the government for paying so much attention to the comfort of the legislators and civil servants, and so little to that of the shivering wretches in the asylum at the city from which he came. The improvement of the asylum should be taken in hand as the parliament buildings had been, with no more patchwork repairs, but by the construction of suitable premises for this important charity, now housed in premises that were a disgrace to the country. Another omission from the speech which he regretted was in connection with the construction of a traffic bridge over the Fraser. No such structure yet existed from the mountains to the river's mouth, and it was high time that the government did something to secure such a bridge and so promote the development of the rich agricultural districts on either shore. With regard to the revival in the lumber industry commented upon in the speech, he had considerable to say, the burden of his remarks being with reference to the necessity of enforcing the log scaling act, and ridiculing the suggestion that it was impossible to carry out the provisions of this measure. The payment of grand jurors was next touched upon, the member for New Westminster hoping to see something done in the direction of putting the grand and petit jurors on an equal footing before the close of the session now opening. Mortgage tax came in its turn, and then the member for the Royal City devoted himself to the connection of the Premier and Honorable President of the Council with the directorate of mining companies. He was surprised that the Premier should have defended his course in this matter, and proposed to quote the comments of the London

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DEBATE CONTINUED.

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Statist, a paper which he felt sure the Premier would not class as a scurrilous sheet, in regard to the principle involved.

Premier Turner (interjecting)—It is well known as such. At the time that the British Columbia loan was floated it was quite ready to praise up that loan in the event of receiving a £100 advertisement. This advertisement the Statist did not get, and so it did not praise the loan.

Mr. Kennedy was proceeding with his quotation, when

Mr. Speaker directed his attention to the fact that an action at law was now pending touching the matters which he was introducing in debate, and that this action barred discussion of the subjects in question, as public opinion might thereby be influenced. In support of this ruling Mr. Speaker quoted May's Parliamentary Practice, p. 308: "A member while speaking to a question . . . may not refer to matters pending judicial decision." Reference was also made to the same authority at page 316—"matters in adjudication in the courts of law should not be made the subject of debate," still another reference being given, to page 264.

Dr. Walkem maintained that the ruling and authorities quoted did not apply. The connection of the Premier and the President of the Council with London mining companies was not the subject of adjudication in the courts—it was the language used by the Province newspaper in commenting upon that connection. He supported Mr. Kennedy's contention that he had a right to read from the Statist or any other newspaper with regard to the connection of the two ministers with the companies in question.

Mr. Booth agreed that the point raised was well taken, but also inquired what question was it before the courts? Not the right or otherwise of the ministers of the crown to accept positions on the directorates of foreign mining companies. The legislature was the only court capable of pronouncing upon the propriety of this, and he thought this was perfectly legitimate subject of discussion—it did not in any way touch the libelling or otherwise of the ministers in connection with which the action had arisen that was now before the courts. If the legislature could not calmly and dispassionately discuss now the principle involved in this matter, the members would be obliged very shortly to discuss it before the people.

Mr. Speaker replied that if it were desired to discuss the attitude of the ministers in connection with business ventures of the kind in question, the proper course would be to bring in an abstract resolution. The hon. member for North Victoria had said that the legislature was the proper court for the discussion of this question—he must also remember that the court of public opinion had to be considered, and that pending the decision of the actions at law referred to, nothing should be done to influence this court.

Mr. Booth—This court of the people is the court of last resort; it would be preferable to consider the matter in the house.

Mr. Speaker again took the ground that an abstract resolution constituted the proper procedure to reach the end aimed at by the memer. The question had been brought forward by the leader of the opposition, and combatted by the Premier, and now the member for New Westminster was endeavoring to introduce the opinion of a London journal which, indirectly at all events, bore upon the subject matter of the case before the courts.

Mr. Forster took other ground, holding that the opinion of the Province and the language in which it was expressed, and not the comment of the Statist as to the advisability of ministers of the crown lending their names for the promotion of mining companies, was the matter before the courts, and therefore to be avoided by the legislature.

Mr. Kennedy was ultimately allowed to proceed, with the promise of the Speaker that he would check him if he reached objectionable matter, he being uninterrupted as he read his selection from the London newspaper—a quotation already published and republished in connection with the attack upon Hon. Mr. Turner. The London Times, the Pall Mall Gazette and other reputable papers, he said, were alike condemnatory in tone of the principle at stake, and he himself regarded it as a form of political immorality that must cease at once.

Mr. Smith (Lillooet) congratulated the mover and seconder of the reply, Some had spoken of theirs as a very ordinary duty, but on the contrary he held it to be quite the reverse, and he was certainly convinced that all would agree the two members had performed that duty pleasantly and ably. He was also pleased to congratulate the government and the country on the completion of the new parliament buildings, in the construction of which all concerned had done well. The completed result was good value for the money expended and a credit to British Columbia. He had voted for the buildings when they were decided upon, because he knew new offices for the departments to be necessary, although he was at the time a little apprehensive as to the cost. Now, however, no one could assert that the work had been unwise or prematurely taken in hand, nor are the buildings any more commodious than required for the actual or prospective business of the government. The opposition had, he had noticed, found many old faults with the government, but he noticed also that no hint had yet been offered as to how the government might have done better. He complimented the government on the general prosperity of the country and the extraordinary development of its varied resources. Great changes had taken place in the mining regions of the province, largely as a result of intelligent railway building, and he hoped that Lillooet in this connection would not escape the attention of the government, as it was a district fruitful in resources, which only required assistance in opening up. Rich discoveries of gold, silver and other metals were being made in all parts of the province, and in regard to these too much credit could not be given the courageous prospector, who did more than any other man to promote the advancement of the country. Many obstacles, he regretted to see, were thrown in the way of the miner and prospector, and these he hoped the government would minimize as much as possible. As an instance of the peculiar views some people held with regard to miners and their conditions, the member for Lillooet quoted the province in its remarks recently on the subject of miners' licenses. In this article it was said: "The question of miners' licenses will probably form the subject of discussion at the forthcoming session of the legislature. The miners have been agitating for some time past to have the licenses removed, not so much apparently because they feel the burden of $5 a year—for that with the great majority of them is neither here nor there—but because the men who work in coal mines are not taxed also. It is, however, a question whether in the interests of the men themselves the licensing system should not be retained, and in fairness extended so as to include coal miners. A license is practically a certificate of character. A man who has one is in a sense guaranteed by the government. If he misbehaves himself his license is cancelled, and he cannot get work in the mines of this country at any rate." This was to the member for Lillooet something new and original. He had never before heard of the government being supposed to cancel the miner's license, nor had he before heard it spoken of as a certificate of good character. Personally he differed with the opinion expressed in the quotation he had read, favoring the abolition of the licenses for miners working for wages, even if to make amends for the loss of revenue involved it were necessary to increase the cost of records. He referred also to a report in the Critic of a meeting of mining engineers held recently in the city of Vancouver, in which the member for that city was quoted as having said that "in the past he had had to fight legislation detrimental to mining, and as a result had had the doors of a legislative committee shut in his face." This he (the member for Lillooet) could only take as a reference to the mining committee of the house, of which he was chairman, and say that he had never known such a thing to have occurred, nor had he ever heard of it. He regretted that the member for Vancouver (Mr. Williams) was not in his place, as he should have much appreciated some explanation from him. Taking up in detail the wants and conditions of his own district, the member for Lillooet presented forcibly the claims it had upon the government for public works, particularly in the nature of roads to give an outlet to the produce of the district, as well as to open up and make producing the rich mines. As an illustration of how the business of the district was being carried on, the member showed how in the fiscal year ending 30th June last there had been a surplus of revenue over expenditure of $10,718, the revenue having been $27,000 odd and the expenditure but little more than $16 000. If still more recent figures were desired, he might say that in the year ending 31st January last the revenue for the west riding had been $24,696, and the expenditure $11,562, or a balance to the credit of the west riding of $12,531, or more than half the revenue unexpended. No doubt the eastern part of the district would make an equally favorable showing. These figures would, he thought, justify the government in setting apart a fair sum in the estimates for the construction of the roads and trails required for the development of the district. He took exception to the opinions expressed by speakers on the other side as to the feeling of the people toward the government, and thought the approaching election would demonstrate quite as conclusively as the last that the present management of the affairs of the province thoroughly commended itself to the people of British Columbia. All the prophecies of reverses to the government were based by their opponents on the hope of office, and as in years gone by, were not to be counted for anything. Such talk as they were indulging in was directed entirely to the new arrivals in the province, who had not seen how the provincial business was mismanaged when the present opposition got it in their hands; if the newcomers would study the history of this period, they, with the veterans of the province, would take good care that the experiment should never again be tried. As to the payment of jurors he hoped to see it arranged for at an early date, as he had never been able to understand the justice of taking one man sixty miles from his work to be a grand juror, and another to be a petit juror, and paying the one and not the other for his loss of time. He thought the government could be trusted to give this matter careful consideration, and hoping that such increased public works would be provided for as would materially advance the prosperity and progress of the province, and increase its revenue correspondingly, he had pleasure in supporting the motion for the reply. (Applause).

Mr. Kidd (Richmond) confined himself chiefly to a criticism of the finances of the province and their administration, first contrasting the estimated and the actual revenues for the past ten years and maintaining that the government had been over-expending at the rate of $360,000 per annum; at the same time he found fault with the government for not having done yet more in the matter of roads and bridges. He held that the expansion of the revenue was no credit to the government, nor was the present gratifying prosperity of the province. The alleged imperfect collections of revenue tax throughout the province, water appropriation, neglected roads, unwisely borrowed money, the high cost of education, and the tendency to sacrifice the interests of the common people for the advantage of capitalists in connection with railway promotion were the heads under which he subsequently addressed himself to the Speaker and the house, closing by expressing the hope that something would soon be done to provide a suitable road from the Pemberton Meadows to the Coast.

Mr. Rogers (Cariboo) paid his compliments to the province, the government, and the constructors on the completion of the magnificent new buildings, the expenditure in connection with which he considered most wise and already justified. The promised redistribution measure he endorsed as necessary, while commenting upon the fact that population is at the present time so unsettled that a permanent arrangement of districts would not be expedient or desirable. He was glad to see that the government intended to give all due attention to the construction of railways, for these were the arteries of a country's prosperity. The Kootenay country owed its prosperity to-day to the railways which gave access to its mines, and an even greater country was now awaiting development to the north, the great gold belt passing through Cariboo and Cassiar districts into the Yukon country. With railways he believed this section would prove rich beyond the anticipation of its most sanguine friends. At the same time he hoped that in the encouragement of railway enterprise hereafter the government would be more generous with money assistance, and less liberal with the public lands. As for the proposed road from Quesnelle mouth to Telegraph Creek, a large traffic would undoubtedly go through by this route to the Yukon immediately, justifying the building of the road, while at the same time a rich mineral region would be opened up. He submitted that the government would be wise to do all in its power to secure the opening up of this section, and as he had not time at command to go as fully as he wished into the questions of the day, he moved the adjournment of the debate.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Mr. Semlin asked—Has any application been made to the Privy Council direct for leave to appeal against the judgment of the full court in the case of Madden v. the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company?

Hon. Mr. Eberts replied—The government is not aware that the plaintiffs have made any application to the Privy Council for leave to appeal. The government intervened for the purpose of making such an application to the full court, but the same was refused, and the advisability of applying for special leave to the Privy Council is under consideration.

Mr. Sword asked—What are the rates at present at which the London brokers are authorized to proceed with the conversion of the loans of 1877 and 1887, and at what dates were these rates established?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—Conversion of bonds issued under Loan Act, 1877, entirely discontinued 7th April, 1897. Present rate of conversion of loan of 1887 fixed at 115 at same date.

Mr. Graham asked—What steps, if any, have been taken to enforce the provisions of the Act to amend the Cattle Act and amending Acts, chap. 7, 1896?

Hon. Mr. Eberts replied—There is no reason to suppose that the Act is not being carried out, and consequently no prosecutions have been instituted for offences against the Act. A prosecution is the only method of enforcement provided by the Act.

Mr. Kidd asked—What amount of cash stood to the credit of the government of this province, on its bank accounts and in the treasury, on the 10th inst.?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—To answer this question without explanation might have a misleading tendency. Such information in due course will be supplied by the public accounts committee.

Mr. Graham asked—(a.) How many joint stock companies holding free miners' licenses on June 30, 1897, took out new licenses, under the provisions of section 22, "Mineral Act, 1897"? (b.) What was the total amount paid to the government on account of such licenses?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—(a.) 447. (b.) $42,700.

Mr. Vedder asked—Was any investigation made into the manner in which the inquest was held on the body of Thomas Thomson (killed by the steamer Rithet coming into collision with the fishing skiff in which he was)? If so, were any, and what, steps taken in regard to the same?

Hon. Mr. Eberts replied—1. Yes, the manner of holding the inquest was investigated. 2. The result of the investigation was not such as to call for any action.

Mr. Kellie asked—Why is the revenue collected in the Nakusp office credited to the Nelson office?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—Simply as a matter of convenience. It is quite immaterial to which office in West Kootenay district the sub-collectors account, as there is no distinction in the revenue collections for East Riding.

Mr. Kellie asked—1. What proposition (if any) did you make the Dominion government in regard to co-operation in protecting the river bank at Revelstoke? 2. Have you received any reply, and, if so, what does the Dominion government propose doing in the matter?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—The provincial government made proposals to the Dominion government to join in the immediate construction of the necessary works—the province to pay one-third (not exceeding $15,000) of the entire cost. The Dominion government has not yet agreed to these proposals.

With regard to Mr. Semlin's question in connection with the intention of the government as to the maintenance of the Agent General's office in London,

Hon. Mr. Turner pointed out that the information sought was in the nature of a disclosure of a part of government policy. If this question were answered, the hon. gentleman might, with equal propriety ask for a disclosure of any other item to be found in the estimates.

Mr. Cotton asked—Has the government taken any steps to ascertain whether His Excellency the Governor-General has signified his decision as to Bill No. 1 of last session, intituled the "Alien Labor Bill," which bill was by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor reserved for his consideration; and, if so, what steps?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—The usual formalities with reference to bills passed by the legislature were carried out. The report of the Attorney-General on the several bills was in due course forwarded to his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. Nothing further has been done, nor is anything further required to be done, for when a decision has been arrived at by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, it will, in accordance with constitutional practice, be intimated to this government.

Mr. Cotton asked:—Is it the intention of the government to introduce legislation to provide for the inspection of boilers of steam engines, the inspection of which is not provided for by Dominion legislation?

Hon Mr. Turner replied—The matter is being considered.

Mr. Cotton asked How much water has been applied for under the Water Clauses Consolidation Act up to 31st December, 1897, in quantities of 1,000 inches and over, and what is the annual rental payable on same, and the amount paid for recording?

Hon. Colonel Baker replied—From the returns received so far by the water commissioner, only two applications have been made under the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, in quantities of 1,000 inches and over, up to the 31st December, 1897; the rental of the same being $17 and $37 respectively, and the recording fees $85 and $185.

Messrs. Armstrong, Sibbald and L. Norris are the only gold commissioners who have sent in returns up to the present time.

Mr. Kellie asked—1. Were the petitioners who recommended the appointment of John D. Sibbald as gold commissioner for the Revelstoke mining division residents of the district or non-residents? 2. What are the names of the parties favoring the appointment? 3. Why were efficient mining recorders in the district ignored in making the appointment of a gold commissioner? 4. What salary was paid John D. Sibbald as gold commissioner for the month of January? 5. What salary did J. D. Graham receive per month prior to his resignation as gold commissioner?

Hon. Mr. Turner replied—1. I know of no petition. 2 and 3. I decline to answer on the ground of public policy. 4. $139. 5. $120.

Mr. Graham asked—How many "unorganized districts" have been proclaimed in the province, in accordance with the provisions of the "Game Protection Act, 1897"?

Hon. Mr. Eberts replied—No "unorganized districts" have been proclaimed. The provisions of the act are for the benefit of resident farmers, and will be put in force in any locality where it appears that the residents reasonably require the game for food and desire the issue of a proclamation.

In connection with the two questions asked by the member for Kootenay (Mr. Kellie) which the Premier declined to answer,

Mr. Kellie insisted on having a reason from the leader of the government for his refusal.

The Speaker thrice informed the honorable member that it was quite within the right of a minister of the crown to decline to answer any question on the ground of public policy, but Mr. Kellie insisted that that would not satisfy the people of Kootenay.

Hon. Mr. Turner thought that the question on its face contained good reason for the refusal of an answer—it should never have been asked. He had told the hon. member that he knew of no petition such as he asserted in his question had an existence. Then the hon. member for Northwest Kootenay went further and made himself ridiculous by asking the government for the names of those who favored a certain appointment. How could the government take a census of opinion on this? They had got a man whom they believed to be thoroughly well fitted for the office in question, and his management of the affairs in his direction has already demonstrated the desirability of the appointment.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Standing committees of the house were nominated and elected as follows:

Railways—Booth, Rithet, Hoff, Rogers, Hunter, Adams, Mutter, Walkem, Bryden, Irving, Kidd, Vedder, Macpherson, Hume, Graham, Forster, Kennedy, and Kellie.

Mining—Smith, Adams, Rogers, Walkem, Bryden, McGregor, Braden, Graham, Hume, Kennedy, Vedder, Forster and Kellie.

Printing—Mutter, Booth, Irving, Kennedy, and Macpherson.

Private Bills and Standing Orders—Hunter, Smith, Helmcken, Stoddard, Sword, Williams and Cotton.

Public Accounts—Rithet, Mutter, McGregor, Kidd and Foster.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. Smith—For a return showing the total amount of revenue collected each year in each electoral district of the province, from 1st July, 1894, to 31st December, 1897, and the total expenditure in each electoral district during the same period, under the following heads, viz.: 1. Salaries of officers. 2. Roads, trails, bridges, ferries, buildings and repairs of all kinds, except school buildings. 3. Education, salaries, buildings, &c. 4. Hospitals and charities. 5. Total amount for which the government has become responsible for the construction of railroads and dyking works, and amount of the annual payments on such indebtedness. 7. The amount remaining unpaid of money advanced by the government to assist farmers and others on account of damage from floods, drouth &c.

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS.

Mr. Helmcken—Is it the intention of the government to introduce at the present session legislation to cover the difficulty arising out of the recent decision of the Full court in the case of Regina v. Little?

Mr. Kidd—What amount of cash stood to the credit of the government of this province, on its bank accounts and in the treasury, on the 10th inst.?

Mr. Williams—Has "The Dawson City (Klondike) and Dominion Trading Corporation, Limited," an option for purchase, or has it purchased, or agreed to purchase, any lands from the government? If so, when and what lands?

Mr. Williams—1. Have any lands been reserved under sub-section (c) of section 1 of the Cassiar Central Railway Aid Act, 1897; and if so, date of reservation, location and extent of each? 2. Have any lands been reserved by the government for said railway company, under terms of said act? 3. Have any blocks been selected by the said railway company? If so, dates of selection and number and extent of blocks.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

An Example of Rural Justice—The Accommodation of the Press.

The representatives of the press were yesterday provided by Mr. Speaker with seats on the floor of the house and at the rear of the chamber—a position in which much better results are obtainable. As a matter of fact it is quite impossible to hear what is said by the members from the visitors' galleries with sufficient clearness for accurate reporting, and the only course open to the house to prevent mistakes in the recording of the proceedings of the house, was that adopted.

All the members of the legislature—opposition as well as government—are joining in expression of high appreciation of Mr. Howell's services as clerk of works during the construction of the new buildings. Major Mutter expressed the feelings of his fellow-legislators very fairly in his speech on Monday, when he said: "I must extend my congratulations to the clerk of the works, Mr. E. C. Howell, for the fidelity with which the artist's designs have been carried on to completion, the faithfulness of the work, and the remarkable ingenuity with which all difficulties have been met as they have arisen, so that we have buildings that for absolute honesty of construction are perhaps unique on the continent of America."

Premier Turner took a very commonsense view of things when at the close of yesterday's session of the house he requested members of the opposition to have a little patience in getting things as they should be in the new building. It was not to be expected that everything could be done in a day—but everything was being made satisfactory as quickly as possible. For example, the lights had been found weak on Monday and the fault corrected by Tuesday; the speakers' voices were also heard better than on the first day, and all would be found right in due time.

Messrs. Walkem and McGregor yesterday had a talk with the government in regard to the desirability of introducing legislation indicated necessary by the recent decision of the Full court in the case of Regina v. Little.

The member for South Nanaimo (Dr. Walkem) promises to bring to the attention of the house this week a peculiar case the scene of which is laid on Texada Island, and the circumstances in connection with which he relates as follows: A white man was supposed to have entered a Chinaman's house and appropriated several articles. The victim of the petty robbery applied to the resident justice of the peace for a summons and was required before this document would issue to deposit $5 with the "court." A warrant was then issued charging the white man with burglary and grand larceny, an American citizen being sworn in as a special constable and arresting the white man after service on a Sunday afternoon. Court was held at once, on the Sunday, Mr. Walker, the Indian teacher at Valdez Island, appearing in behalf of the Crown, and Robert Forbes, of the law firm of Young & Co., of Duluth, Minnesota, for the defence. The defendant was dismissed on his plea that he "did not know the cabin belonged to anyone," while at the same time the justice informed him that he had "better pay the Chinaman for the things he had taken"—the Chinaman's five dollars being at the same time estreated under the head of costs of the court.

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[t.] To sell the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court, where necessary. To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this Company is authorised to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company:

[u.] To make, accept, indorse and execute promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments. To lend money, and in particular to persons having dealings with the Company. To raise money in such manner as the Company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future), including its uncalled capital or any specified portion thereof. To guarantee the performance of contracts by members of or persons having dealings with the Company:

[v.] To acquire patent rights and privileges in the United Kingdom or any other country or Colony or State for any purposes deemed to be useful for the Company, and to resell the same or turn the same to account by manufacturing thereunder, granting licences or otherwise:

[w.] To lend money to any company, partnership, person or association, upon security of their or his undertaking, property, estate, assets and effects, or any part thereof, upon such terms as may be deemed expedient, and to take such security either in the shape of mortgages, morigage debentures or in any other form, or to lend money in British Columbia or Great Britain or elsewhere with or without security. To make donations to such persons and in such cases as may seem expedient, and to subscribe for any purposes whether charitable or benevolent, or for any public, general or useful object:

(x.) To pay the costs, charges and expenses of, or in connection with the formation and incorporation of the Company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered or to be rendered to the Company, either in cash or in shares of the Company, either wholly or partly paid up:

(y.) To establish and maintain agencies of this Company in any colony or foreign state, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated in any colony or foreign state:

(z.) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, either alone or in partnership or in conjunction with any person or other association, and either as principals or agents, and including a power to pay brokerage or commission for services rendered in obtaining or guaranteeing or underwriting capital for the Company or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
ja27 *Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.*

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Portland Inlet or Portland Canal, Cassiar District, British Columbia by the most direct and feasible route to a point at or near Teslin Lake; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railways steamboats or other companies: and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria the 4th day of August, A.D. 1897.

HUNTER & OLIVER,
au5 Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session by the Cowichan Lumber Company, Limited, for an Act to empower the said applicants to exercise in the Province of British Columbia all the powers, privileges and capacities granted to the said company by their charter under the Great Seal of Canada, and especially to empower the said company to construct and maintain a retaining dam and such works in connection therewith as are hereinafter referred to in or upon the Cowichan River on Section 16, Range V, Quamichan District, upon such site and according to such plans and specifications as shall have received the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, and to construct, maintain and operate a double or single line of tramway of such gauge as they may deem advisable, with necessary side tracks and turn outs, and to build bridges and erect, acquire and maintain telegraph and telephone lines along their said tramway, subject in so far as the same passes over any highway to the permission and under the supervision of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, the said tramway to commence on the north side of Cowichan River, on Section 16, Range V, Quamichan District about 750 feet above the wagon road bridge across said river on Section 15, Range V, of said district, thence in an easterly direction following north bank of said river and intersecting the line of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway and at such a distance from said river as will afford the most convenient route to a point at or near the mouth of said river with all the usual powers and privileges incidental to the construction and operation of such works with power to said company to use the water or water power to be created by the erection of such retaining dam for producing any form of power or for generating electricity for the purpose of light, heat and power, and for all and every purpose mentioned in Sections 80, 81, 82 and 83 of the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897, and to do everything necessary or incidental to the carrying out of all or any of the objects referred to in said sections and to enter upon survey purchase and expropriate lands for the purposes of said works, and so that the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act as to expropriation of lands shall apply for the right to take timber, stone, gravel and other materials for use and construction of said works; to levy and collect tolls from all passengers and in respect of all freight carried upon such tramway as the company may by regulation direct; to contract for supplying water and electricity for domestic, industrial and agricultural purposes, and to do all things which may be necessary to enable the said company to carry out such contracts within such limits, and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council; and to charge and collect reasonable tolls and charges therefor.

Dated the 27th day of January, 1898.

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AGAIN FOR THE NORTH.

The "Islander" Returns to Port Only to Depart for the North at Once.

Four Hundred Gold Seekers Sail on the Big Steamer—Many Americans on Board.

The steamer Islander, with Captain John Irving in charge, arrived from the North yesterday morning with 35 passengers, none of whom were from the gold fields. On her northern trip the Islander had exceedingly rough weather, and for fifty-three hours was compelled to remain at Port Simpson owing to the terrible storm then raging. Her officers report bad weather in northern waters of late, with strong gales and snowstorms. The Islander reports that the steamer Queen, due here now, was ashore at Wrangel Narrows for about twenty-four hours, but she sustained no serious damage. The Queen was to have sailed for Friday, but was delayed owing to having had 300 tons of coal to discharge at Juneau.

The crew of the Islander was augmented on the way north by twenty stowaways, who worked their passage up and were released when they arrived there. The Islander encountered a large number of steamers and vessels northward bound. On the 10th instant she passed the steamer Lady of the Lake; on the 11th the Danube was sighted just above Wrangel; on the 12th the tug Lorne, towing the Richard III; also tug Maude bound for the scene of the wreck of the Corona with wreckers. On the 12th instant also the steamship Cleveland was sighted just above China Hat, and on the 13th an American revenue cutter was seen coming down Fitz Hugh sound. The steamer Topeka was as far as Seymour Narrows on her way north, and another steamer whose name was not ascertained was at Plumper Pass.

When the wrecked steamer Corona was passed by the Islander she was in precisely the same position as last reported.

The Islander brought no additional news of the Clara Nevana disaster. There is no doubt in the minds of the steamer's officers that every soul on board perished.

With the exception of the rough weather encountered the trip was uneventful.

When the steamer Islander sailed north again this morning she carried about 400 passengers, 300 dogs and about 400 tons of freight. Since she arrived from the north yesterday the crew were kept very busy emptying the freight sheds which were liberally packed with goods of all descriptions belonging to the prospectors. It was well towards morning before their labors were finished, and in the meantime most of the argonauts were asleep in the numerous improvised bunks erected in the main saloon of the vessel.

The crowd that went north on the Islander was perhaps as motley a one as has ever left here. There were parties from almost all points of Canada and the United Staets. As is the case of many of the crowds that have gone North recently in Canadian steamers, the Islander's passengers were largely composed of Americans who came here to outfit and obtain mining licenses. California furnished perhaps the largest number of the Islander's passengers, although a large number came from Washington state and Colorado. One party came from as far east as West Virginia. The scene at Turner, Beeton & Co.'s dock last night was one that will be repeated frequently during the present year. Three hundred cars of all breeds and descriptions made a deafening noise, truck after truck carried into the vessel's capacious holds many tons of provisions and supplies, and above all good-byee were lustily shouted from the decks of the steamer to friends on the docks, adding much to the scene of activity and life.

Although many miners and others tried to obtain passage North on the Islander on the plea that there is always room for one more, they were unable to obtain accommodation. Every bit of available space on the steamer had been bought up. Had the vessel been twice as commodious it is safe to say that almost the same thing would have occurred. Among the parties who went North on the islander were: C. A. Fore and party of five from Cripple Creek, Colorado; C. E. Rhodes and party of Sacramento valley, with 38 tons of freight, by the Stikine route; Maurice Andrews and wife of Hot Springs, Col., who go to the Pelly river to open up a store; Gregory Brothers (three) of West Virginia, with six tons of supplies bought in Victoria; Ed. Gibson and party of Los Angeles; Perry Brothers of Seattle; Boyd Brothers from Cariboo, who go up in the interests of the Hudson's Bay Co. to Teslin Lake; W. L. Loveland of Saanich, who intends to freight between Skagway and Lake Bennet. The following party was made up in Victoria, and will go to Lake Teslin; Jack Hyland and Robt. Hyland; of Telegraph Creek; T. Fairburn, of Montreal; A. Sherk, Victoria; Walter Kurtz and C. Campbell, also of Victoria. The party are taking in 500 pounds of supplies apiece. With the departure of the Islander many of the city hotels will now be in a good position to accommodate the rapidly arriving strangers. From the Dominion hotel alone sixty-eight gold seekers, who have been here during the past week outfitting, sailed on the Islander, while the Victoria, Queen's, Oriental and other hotels also sent out a large number of argonauts.

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CLERK OF RAMSAY

Mr. James Caskey Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Kidney Diseases Being Driven Out of Lanark Country by Dodd's Kidney Pills—Mr. Caskey's Case Illustrates the Hundreds of Cures Made by This Grand Remedy

ALMONTE, Feb. 15.—Our township clerk, Mr. James Caskey, is one of the strongest and most enthusiastic endorsers of Dodd's Kidney Pills in this district, and there are hundreds of firm friends of that wonderful medicine in Lanark.

Lanark County is one of the strongholds of Dodd's Kidney Pills. That medicine has been used in many hundreds of cases here, and in every case has worked a permanent cure. Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, Stone in the Bladder, Gravel, Urinary and Bladder Diseases, Blood Impurities, Diseases of women, and all other Kidney diseases yield to the influence of Dodd's Kidney Pills, speedily, surely, and easily. This has been proved so often, so clearly, and so conclusively, in Lanark Country, that the fact is admitted by all, and no other medicine is used for any form of Kidney Disease. As a result these diseases are by no means so common in this country as they were before Dodd's Kideey Pills were introduced.

Mr. Caskey's case is an illustration of the universal success of Dodd's Kidney Pills in all Kidney Diseases. He suffered severly for years with pains across the back, caused by Kidney Disease. He could never tell when an attack would disable him. Very often he would fall down with the severity of the pain.

His sufferings may be imagined. No relief could be got till he began to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Then relief came at once. His cure was thorough and lasting, and Mr. Caskey uses Dodd's Kidney Pills as a general tonic now.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists at fifty cents a box, six boxes $2.50, or will be sent, on receipt of price, by the Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited, Toronto.

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

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Elsie [aged six]—Learned to spell.

Mamma—Now what did you learn to spell?

Elsie—Man.

Mamma—And how do you spell man?

Elsie [promptly]—M-a-n, man.

Mamma—Now how do you spell boy?

Elsie (after a moment's reflection)—The same way, only in littler letters.—Town and Country Journal.

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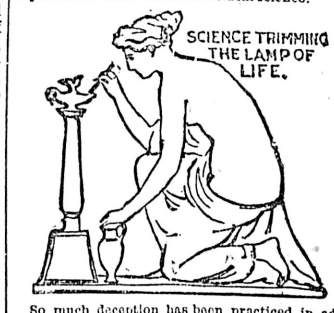

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They give full strength, development and tone to every portion and organ of the body.

Failure is impossible and age is no barrier.

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 15, 1898.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	52·	Mean 44·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows·
5 a.m..	49·		5 a.m.—44 S.
9 a.m..	42·	Highest 52·	1 p.m.—40 S.W.
1 p.m.	44·		9 p.m.—24 S.
5 p.m..	38·	Lowest 37·	Rain—.52.
9 p.m..	37·		Cloudy. Sunshine—7h. 12m.

Barometer 9 a.m... {Observed .....29.642 {Reduced 29.615

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Funeral will leave the family residence Wilkinson Road, at 2 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, for Cedar Hill cemetery.

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MR. ESMOND'S CHALLENGE.

Details of His Propositions to Sergt.-Major Elliott and Ivan de Malchin.

The following letter addressed to the COLONIST supplements the brief telegram on the subject published in this paper last week:

ROSSLAND, B.C., 10th Feb., 1898.

DEAR SIR:—Agreeably with my wire to you of even date, I beg to issue the following challenges, which I would be pleased if you will kindly publish. I am willing to meet Sergt.-Major Elliott (late R.H.A.) in the following mounted events either in Victoria or Rossland, viz.: Sword v. Sword, Lance v. Lance (each taking lance), Tent Pegging, Tilting at the Ring, Lemon Cutting, Turk's Heads and Posts; the highest aggregate number of points to win.

I am also willing to meet the Baron de Malchin in a Sword v. Sword contest, and in any of the above mentioned events he may like to compete.

I shall be glad to hear from either or both of the gentlemen named in regard to these challenges, at the earliest date.

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SKAGWAY A HOT TOWN.

Dr. Trebeck Just Arrived From the North Tells of Shootings and Hold-Ups.

The Notorious "Soapy" Smith May Be Mayor—Miners Frozen in the Passes.

Dr. Alfred O. Trebeck, who arrived on the Islander from Skagway yesterday morning and who is at present a guest at the Victoria, has some interesting facts to relate concerning that town and the recent stirring events that have occurred there. Dr. Trebeck went to Skagway on Jan. 3 of this year and has since been following his profession in northern gateway of the gold fields. He describes Skagway as the roughest camp he has ever seen, and he has spent some years in the mining camps of Australia. Law and order are unknown names in Skagway, he says, and vice is rampant in every quarter of the town.

One of the interesting items of news Dr. Trebeck brings down is that the notorious "Soapy" Smith, with about fifty "boosters" at his back, is running the town, and that he is likely soon to be elected mayor. Under the regime of this man it is not safe for respectable people to venture out after dark as hold-ups and sand-bagging are almost nightly occurrences. When the last crowds from the Islander and other steamers arrived at Skagway they were afraid to venture on the streets after nightfall, and when the doctor left were making speedy preparations to leave the too "hot" town.

Dr. Trebeck gives perhaps the first reliable information regarding the recent shooting scrapes in Skagway. He thinks that Fay, who killed Deputy Marshal Rowan and Megrath, is at large now, and it was reported that he would shortly return to Skagway. The doctor, who was an eye-witness, gives the following graphic account of the affair:

"The affair occurred in Rice's Place, a notorious saloon," he said. Megrath was crazy with Skagway whiskey, and accused Rice of swindling him. The latter struck him on the back of the head with a jimmy. When Megrath recovered consciousness he went out, and, meeting Deputy Marshal Rowan, asked the latter to lend him his gun. Rowan instead of doing so accompanied Megrath to the saloon. Rice in the meantime instructed Fay to shoot Megrath if the latter returned, and no sooner did the half crazed man enter the room than he was shot down and Rowan met a similar fate. Then a meeting of the chums of Rice and Fay was called, which resulted in the latter being sent to Sitka, but it is safe to say he will get off without punishment.

"Another shooting occurred a few minutes after. Night watchman Jones, hearing the shooting, said, 'If there is shooting to be done, I'm in it,' and fired promiscuously into the street. One of his shots struck a habitue of the saloon in the knee and severely injured him. Next day Jones was told to get out of town, and he is now in Juneau."

Dr. Trebeck says that Mrs. Rowan, wife of the deputy-marshall, is recovering rapidly from the shock received with the news of her husband's shocking death.

Prize-fighter Slavin, who came from the North recently, according to Dr. Trebeck, fared badly in Skagway. He was robbed of $300 and had to borrow $200 from Rice to get down here with.

The first authentic report of deaths on the passes due to exposure and blizzards is brought down by the doctor. According to his diary, on January 14 a barber who was travelling through to Lake Bennett to open a shop was frozen to death at the summit. On January 23 a white man, name unknown, was caught in a blizzard and frozen to death. On February 5 four white packers met death in a blizzard on the Chilcoot Pass. They were Americans, but their names were never learned. The most serious disaster occurred on February 7, when three Indian packers were frozen to death on the Chilcoot Pass and two white men met a similar fate on the White Pass.

The remains of all the unfortunate men were brought to Skagway and Dyea and placed in rough boxes. They were then removed the cemetery on dog sleighs and deposited on the ground where they will remain until the ground thaws out in the spring.

"In calm weather," Dr. Trebeck said, "the White and Chilcoot passes are all right, but God help the man caught in them during a blizzard. The chances are one hundred to one against him."

Speaking of the disaster that befell the Clara Nevada, Dr. Trebeck said that he talked with people at Juneau who came north on the steamer, and they pronounced her unseaworthy. They said that on the trip up they were half suffocated with steam all the time, and that twice the steamer was obliged to tie up in order to repair her boilers.

To show the spirit of ruffianism in Skagway Dr. Trebeck tells of a case that came before his notice. A newly arrived miner accidentally bumped against one of the "boosters" on the street, and the next moment the latter faced him with a revolver. The stranger fell on his knees and begged for his life, and no doubt his abject attitude saved him, for with a kick the ruffian left him, telling him to be careful where he went in future.

Dr. Trebeck says he has enough of Skagway, and as soon as he outfits here will go to Dawson by way of the Stikine. Through the negligence of the postmaster at Skagway Dr. Trebeck says he lost drafts aggregating $500 at that place.

THE BOARD'S REPLY.

School Trustees Say the Auditor Is Trying to Dictate to Them.

The school board in their letter to the city council on Monday give the following reason for dissenting from the position Mr. Raymur, the city auditor, took in refusing audit to the board's financial statement. The letter reads as follows, being addressed to the Mayor:

VICTORIA, Feb. 14, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—In acknowledging receipt of your favor enclosing the auditor's reasons for declining to sign the annual financial statement of the Victoria City School Board, I am directed to state that the trustees entirely dissent from the position Mr. Raymur has assumed. In their opinion the auditor exceeds his duty in questioning any policy which the school act places at their discretion. They submit that it is his duty to satisfy himself that the board has authority for the expenditure and that it is honestly paid to the parties represented, without presuming to dictate to a responsible elective body who are obliged to carry on their duties in accordance with the provisions of the School Act. I am also requested to state that there is no foundation for the concluding remarks of Mr. Raymur as to the ideas and desires of the trustees with respect to himself. It is positively untrue to state that "the trustees desire him to sign whatever may be put before him without comment or enquiry." On the contrary the fullest enquiry and investigation is desired and it is hoped that the auditor will complete his duties, it being unfortunately far easier for him to decline to sign than to carry the work to a finish.

B. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

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PERSONAL.

R. A. Brown, Grand Fords, B.C., is a guest at the Dallas.

Major C. T. Dupont arrived last night from the mainland.

P. C. Dunlevy was an arrival from Vancouver by the Charmer last night.

Constable Miller, of New Westminster, is paying Victoria a business visit.

Captain A. E. Linquist, of the steamship Aberdeen, of Vernon, is a guest at the Oriental.

A. McKeown, of the Ames Holden Co., has received news from the Township of Camden, Ontario, of the death of his father, aged 89 years.

G. H. Morkill left this morning for Comaplix, near the head of Arrow lake, to enter on his duties as secretary-treasurer of the Kootenay Lumber Company.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Annual Report of the Progress in Educational Matters Throughout the Province.

In the annual report of the public schools for the year ended June 30, 1897, Dr. Pope, superintendent of education, shows that the whole number of schools in the province last year was 244, and of these there were 4 high schools, 22 graded schools, 213 common schools and 5 ward schools. The total number of teachers and monitors was 384, an increase of 34 over the previous year. The total number of pupils enrolled was 15,798, an increase of 1,338 for the year, and the percentage of average daily attendance in city districts was 71.06, and in rural districts 56.81. The cost of each pupil, based on the total enrollment, was $13.97, a decrease of $ .20 compared with the previous year.

The expenditure by the provincial government during the fiscal year for all purposes of education was: Education proper, $220,810; lands and works department, $15,870; a total of $236,680.

The number of boys enrolled was 8,105, an increase of 668; girls enrolled, 7,693; increase, 670. Pupils enrolled in high schools, 461; number of school districts, 196, an increase of six. The growth of the school system in the past ten years may be gathered by the following comparison.

	1887.	1897.
Aggregate enrolment	5,345	15,798
Expenditure.....	$88,521	$220,810

Dr. Pope in referring to the examinations for teacher's certificates makes the following sensible remarks:

"Neatness and accuracy in the execution of work displayed in the papers of those endeavoring to qualify as teachers may be taken as an index of what may be expected to be found in their school rooms, and it is gratifying to be able to state that considerable improvement in these respects was shown at this examination. A grave error is committed when the candidate imagines that a knowledge of some of the higher subjects will compensate for the lack of a good foundation in the common English branches. It will be readily conceded that the five most important subjects of an ordinary education are good reading, correct spelling, neat writing, knowledge of practical arithmetic and ability to express thoughts in an intelligent and graceful manner, both in speech and on paper. Every applicant for a teacher's certificate should regard these subjects as of paramount importance, failure in any one of which must lead to disappointment."

Inspector Wilson in his report impresses the fact that while a fair degree of excellence has been attained in reading, "very expressive reading seems to be as uncommon as in former years." Inspector Burns notes greater care in writing in the schools he visited, and the general reports show on the whole satisfactory progress being made in the various subjects taught.

The most notable event of the year to the children of the public schools of the province was the celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Dr. Pope refers to this and to the opportunity that was taken to impress upon the minds of the pupils by lesson, by anecdote and by patriotic song the noble life of Her Majesty. He refers to the presentation of a silver medal by Mr. R. L. T. Galbraith to the pupils of East Kootenay for competition, in remembrance of the Jubilee, and of the presentation by Mr. W. H. Hayward, of Metchosin, of an oil painting of the Queen, for annual competition by the pupils of that district. Mr. Hayward gave a special prize to the pupil who won last year, and Hon. C. E. Pooley gave a prize to the pupil who came second.

MR. AND MRS. T. W. Edwards are mourning the loss of their little one, a boy five years old, who died on Monday from scarlet fever. The parents have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow.

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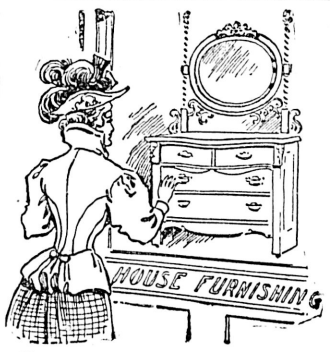

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